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Table 1—Year of Statewide EBT Implementation, and EBT Status in FY2003

| | Calendar year of statewide implementation ¹ | Status in FY 2003 | |
|----------------------------|--|-----------------------------|---|
| | | EBT vendor ² | Percent of redemption by EBT ³ |
| Total U.S. | — | — | 91.60% |
| Alabama | 1997 | Deluxe Data Systems | 99.97 |
| Alaska | 1998 | Deluxe Data Systems | 99.98 |
| Arizona | 1999 | Deluxe Data Systems | 99.81 |
| Arkansas | 1998 | Deluxe Data Systems | 99.96 |
| California | 2004 * | Deluxe / Citibank | 31.17 |
| Colorado | 1998 | Citibank (JP Morgan) | 99.94 |
| Connecticut | 1997 | Citibank (JP Morgan) | 99.99 |
| Delaware | 2003 (Jun) | Deluxe Data Systems | 19.30 |
| District of Columbia | 1998 | Citibank (JP Morgan) | 99.98 |
| Florida | 1998 | Citibank (JP Morgan) | 99.97 |
| Georgia | 1998 | Citibank (JP Morgan) | 99.98 |
| Hawaii | 1998 | Citibank (JP Morgan) | 99.98 |
| Idaho | 1998 | Citibank (JP Morgan) | 99.92 |
| Illinois | 1997 | ACS Incorporated | 99.89 |
| Indiana | 2002 | Citibank (JP Morgan) | 99.95 |
| Iowa | 2003 (Aug) | Shazam / Iowa DHS | 14.59 |
| Kansas | 1997 | Deluxe Data Systems | 99.95 |
| Kentucky | 1999 | Deluxe Data Systems | 99.68 |
| Louisiana | 1997 | Deluxe / Citibank | 99.98 |
| Maine | 2003 (Apr) | Maine DHS | 35.95 |
| Maryland | 1993 | Citibank (JP Morgan) | 99.46 |
| Massachusetts | 1997 | Deluxe Data Systems | 99.93 |
| Michigan | 2001 | Citibank (JP Morgan) | 99.97 |
| Minnesota | 1998 | Deluxe Data Systems | 99.85 |
| Mississippi | 2002 * | Total System Services, Inc. | 61.93 |
| Missouri | 1998 | Deluxe Data Systems | 99.95 |
| Montana | 2002 | State of Montana | 99.78 |
| Nebraska | 2002 | Citibank (JP Morgan) | 98.35 |
| Nevada | 2002 | Citibank (JP Morgan) | 98.01 |
| New Hampshire | 1999 | Deluxe Data Systems | 96.68 |
| New Jersey | 1999 | Deluxe Data Systems | 99.90 |
| New Mexico | 1995 | Citibank (JP Morgan) | 99.96 |
| New York | 2001 | Citibank (JP Morgan) | 99.97 |
| North Carolina | 1999 | Citibank / Deluxe | 99.98 |
| North Dakota | 1997 | Citibank (JP Morgan) | 99.92 |
| Ohio | 1999 | Stored Value Systems | 99.70 |
| Oklahoma | 1998 | Citibank (JP Morgan) | 99.97 |
| Oregon | 1998 | Deluxe Data Systems | 99.68 |
| Pennsylvania | 1998 | Citibank (JP Morgan) | 99.90 |
| Rhode Island | 1998 | Deluxe Data Systems | 99.98 |
| South Carolina | 1995 | Citibank (JP Morgan) | 99.99 |
| South Dakota | 1997 | Citibank (JP Morgan) | 99.78 |
| Tennessee | 1999 | Deluxe Data Systems | 99.97 |
| Texas | 1995 | Texas DHS | 99.96 |
| Utah | 1996 | Deluxe Data Systems | 99.92 |
| Vermont | 1998 | Deluxe Data Systems | 99.97 |
| Virginia | 2002 | Citibank (JP Morgan) | 99.31 |
| Virgin Islands | 2003 (Jan) | Citibank (JP Morgan) | 73.22 |
| Washington | 1999 | Citibank (JP Morgan) | 99.95 |
| West Virginia | 2003 * | Citibank (JP Morgan) | 58.05 |
| Wisconsin | 2000 | Citibank (JP Morgan) | 99.84 |
| Wyoming | 2000 | Stored Value Systems | 99.89 |

— Not applicable.

¹ Shaded rows denote States where EBT was not operating statewide at the start of FY2003. Month of implementation is shown for States implementing EBT during FY2003; asterisk denotes States where EBT was operational in portions of the State at the start of FY2003, with additional roll-out during the year.

² Multiple vendors with '/' separator denote a change in vendor during FY2003.

³ Percent is less than 100 in fully implemented States due to: a) out-of-state redemption by recipients in non-EBT areas, and b) Ohio and Wyoming offline systems are not interoperable, and clients are issued paper coupons when they move out of State (per FNS/BRD).

Sources: USDA, FNS, Electronic Benefits Transfer Status Report, 2004 (year of implementation); ALERT, FY2003 (vendor); ALERT and USDA, FNS, Store Tracking and Redemption System-STARs, 2003 (percent EBT).

Table 2—Distribution of Food Stamp Authorized Retailers and Redemption by Detailed Store Type: Total United States, FY2003

| | Number of authorized retailers | | Amount of food stamp redemption | |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------|---------------------------------|---------|
| | Number | Percent | Dollar amount (thousands) | Percent |
| Total | 149,374 | 100.00% | \$21,277,076 | 100.00% |
| Supermarket | 30,919 | 20.70 | 17,559,276 | 82.53 |
| Large grocery | 10,288 | 6.89 | 1,272,286 | 5.98 |
| Small grocery | 31,010 | 20.76 | 968,051 | 4.55 |
| Convenience store | 32,321 | 21.64 | 416,913 | 1.96 |
| Combination grocery/gas | 15,189 | 10.17 | 172,325 | 0.81 |
| Specialty food | 12,291 | 8.23 | 529,963 | 2.49 |
| Other Types | | | | |
| Combination grocery/bar | 54 | 0.04 | 997 | 0.00 |
| Combination grocery/restaurant .. | 612 | 0.41 | 11,457 | 0.05 |
| Combination grocery/merchandise | 2,581 | 1.73 | 47,426 | 0.22 |
| Other combination | 8,191 | 5.48 | 123,002 | 0.58 |
| Milk route | 68 | 0.05 | 1,653 | 0.01 |
| Bread route | 16 | 0.01 | 272 | 0.00 |
| Produce route | 68 | 0.05 | 1,154 | 0.01 |
| Other route | 852 | 0.57 | 43,301 | 0.20 |
| Health/natural food | 994 | 0.67 | 13,934 | 0.07 |
| Military commissary | 183 | 0.12 | 16,526 | 0.08 |
| Multi-stall farmers mkt | 224 | 0.15 | 2,774 | 0.01 |
| Non-profit coop | 206 | 0.14 | 4,783 | 0.02 |
| Produce stand | 1,893 | 1.27 | 38,206 | 0.18 |
| Wholesaler | 22 | 0.01 | 1,608 | 0.01 |
| Other firm | 1,392 | 0.93 | 51,169 | 0.24 |

Note: Retailers identify their store type on FNS application forms. Retailers identified as supermarkets and small/medium groceries were reclassified based on reported gross sales as supermarkets (over \$2 million), large grocery (\$500k to \$2 million), and small grocery (under \$500k).

All other store types were self-reported; "other firm" was self-reported and is not an aggregation of store types.

Source: USDA, FNS. Store Tracking and Redemption Subsystem-STARs, FY2003.

Table 3—Distribution of Food Stamp Authorized Retailers and Redemption by Detailed Store Type: By Region, FY2003

| | Percent distribution by region | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------|---------|-----------|-----------|-----------------|---------|
| | Northeast | Mid-Atlantic | Midwest | Southeast | Southwest | Mountain Plains | Western |
| Food Stamp Retailers | | | | | | | |
| Total | 100.00% | 100.00% | 100.00% | 100.00% | 100.00% | 100.00% | 100.00% |
| Supermarket | 14.99 | 19.05 | 25.09 | 23.59 | 17.78 | 24.28 | 20.18 |
| Large grocery | 6.08 | 4.83 | 8.72 | 6.09 | 5.83 | 11.06 | 7.44 |
| Small grocery | 39.26 | 26.60 | 16.97 | 13.20 | 15.74 | 11.23 | 20.90 |
| Convenience store | 13.72 | 17.58 | 17.36 | 22.26 | 33.95 | 21.12 | 24.94 |
| Combination grocery/gas | 5.62 | 10.43 | 12.38 | 14.41 | 7.59 | 12.20 | 8.13 |
| Specialty food | 9.57 | 7.46 | 7.59 | 8.28 | 9.11 | 8.47 | 7.56 |
| Other Types | | | | | | | |
| Combination grocery/bar | 0.00 | 0.14 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.05 |
| Combination grocery/restaurant .. | 0.20 | 0.70 | 0.35 | 0.53 | 0.30 | 0.30 | 0.40 |
| Combination grocery/merchandise | 0.71 | 2.80 | 0.41 | 1.95 | 2.74 | 1.89 | 1.80 |
| Other combination | 6.43 | 6.53 | 8.30 | 6.05 | 4.64 | 3.86 | 2.46 |
| Milk route | 0.06 | 0.06 | 0.03 | 0.01 | 0.03 | 0.13 | 0.05 |
| Bread route | 0.02 | 0.01 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.02 | 0.01 | 0.02 |
| Produce route | 0.01 | 0.06 | 0.01 | 0.08 | 0.05 | 0.02 | 0.06 |
| Other route | 0.37 | 0.52 | 0.99 | 0.39 | 0.59 | 1.24 | 0.35 |
| Health/natural food | 1.06 | 0.67 | 0.54 | 0.40 | 0.17 | 1.18 | 0.88 |
| Military commissary | 0.05 | 0.14 | 0.04 | 0.17 | 0.13 | 0.15 | 0.16 |
| Multi-stall farmers mkt | 0.09 | 0.28 | 0.02 | 0.06 | 0.02 | 0.25 | 0.35 |
| Non-profit coop | 0.23 | 0.15 | 0.15 | 0.11 | 0.03 | 0.27 | 0.11 |
| Produce stand | 1.05 | 1.62 | 0.79 | 1.76 | 0.78 | 0.79 | 1.53 |
| Wholesaler | 0.00 | 0.02 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.03 | 0.02 |
| Other firm | 0.45 | 0.34 | 0.25 | 0.63 | 0.48 | 1.51 | 2.61 |
| Dollars Redeemed | | | | | | | |
| Total | 100.00% | 100.00% | 100.00% | 100.00% | 100.00% | 100.00% | 100.00% |
| Supermarket | 69.30 | 80.84 | 83.37 | 86.18 | 86.56 | 86.30 | 80.97 |
| Large grocery | 8.61 | 4.30 | 5.68 | 6.62 | 4.86 | 6.04 | 5.71 |
| Small grocery | 13.53 | 6.31 | 4.15 | 2.33 | 2.37 | 1.53 | 4.34 |
| Convenience store | 1.72 | 1.92 | 1.85 | 1.30 | 2.39 | 1.84 | 2.80 |
| Combination grocery/gas | 0.40 | 1.06 | 0.93 | 0.77 | 0.46 | 1.10 | 1.09 |
| Specialty food | 5.37 | 3.86 | 2.41 | 1.82 | 1.74 | 1.25 | 2.01 |
| Other Types | | | | | | | |
| Combination grocery/bar | 0.00 | 0.03 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Combination grocery/restaurant .. | 0.02 | 0.10 | 0.06 | 0.04 | 0.05 | 0.02 | 0.08 |
| Combination grocery/merchandise | 0.07 | 0.13 | 0.17 | 0.15 | 0.18 | 0.22 | 0.58 |
| Other combination | 0.29 | 0.63 | 0.95 | 0.32 | 0.82 | 0.69 | 0.42 |
| Milk route | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.03 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Bread route | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Produce route | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.00 | 0.01 |
| Other route | 0.23 | 0.20 | 0.20 | 0.11 | 0.33 | 0.38 | 0.12 |
| Health/natural food | 0.13 | 0.06 | 0.03 | 0.02 | 0.01 | 0.09 | 0.16 |
| Military commissary | 0.02 | 0.10 | 0.01 | 0.10 | 0.05 | 0.08 | 0.17 |
| Multi-stall farmers mkt | 0.00 | 0.05 | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.00 | 0.02 | 0.04 |
| Non-profit coop | 0.03 | 0.04 | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.00 | 0.02 | 0.04 |
| Produce stand | 0.22 | 0.29 | 0.15 | 0.10 | 0.09 | 0.02 | 0.37 |
| Wholesaler | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.00 | 0.06 | 0.01 |
| Other firm | 0.07 | 0.04 | 0.02 | 0.07 | 0.05 | 0.33 | 1.08 |

Note: Retailers identify their store type on FNS application forms. Retailers identified as supermarkets and small/medium groceries were reclassified based on reported gross sales as supermarkets (over \$2 million), large grocery (\$500k to \$2 million), and small grocery (under \$500k).

All other store types were self-reported; "other firm" was self-reported and is not an aggregation of store types.

Source: USDA, FNS. Store Tracking and Redemption Subsystem-STARs, FY2003.

Table 4—Number of Food Stamp Authorized Retailers, and Distribution by Store Type: By State, FY2003

| | Number of retailers | Percent distribution of retailers by store type | | | | | | |
|-------------------------|------------------------|---|------------------|------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|------------|
| | | Super- market | Large grocery | Small grocery | Conven- ience store | Comb. grocery /gas | Specialty food | Other type |
| Total U.S. | 149,374 | 20.7% | 6.9% | 20.8% | 21.6% | 10.2% | 8.2% | 11.6% |
| Alabama | 2,611 | 24.0 | 8.3 | 11.7 | 16.8 | 21.9 | 8.4 | 9.0 |
| Alaska | 463 | 17.3 | 11.4 | 15.8 | 7.3 | 13.6 | 3.5 | 31.1 |
| Arizona | 2,296 | 24.8 | 3.8 | 12.2 | 19.2 | 25.2 | 2.8 | 12.2 |
| Arkansas | 1,519 | 23.2 | 8.3 | 22.0 | 25.8 | 1.3 | 9.2 | 10.1 |
| California | 17,989 | 18.7 | 8.1 | 25.0 | 26.6 | 4.6 | 8.0 | 8.9 |
| Colorado | 1,386 | 30.2 | 8.2 | 10.6 | 29.8 | 2.2 | 5.8 | 13.3 |
| Connecticut | 1,460 | 21.2 | 5.1 | 28.5 | 25.3 | 4.1 | 5.1 | 10.8 |
| Delaware | 397 | 19.1 | 3.3 | 16.9 | 27.7 | 11.1 | 9.8 | 12.1 |
| Dist. of Columbia | 401 | 7.5 | 5.2 | 39.4 | 23.9 | 1.0 | 8.5 | 14.5 |
| Florida | 7,477 | 23.6 | 6.5 | 13.0 | 16.2 | 16.6 | 8.9 | 15.1 |
| Georgia | 4,028 | 25.5 | 5.9 | 12.6 | 21.0 | 13.5 | 8.5 | 12.9 |
| Hawaii | 869 | 15.1 | 6.2 | 18.6 | 19.9 | 7.2 | 17.3 | 15.6 |
| Idaho | 551 | 29.6 | 12.3 | 14.5 | 14.3 | 5.6 | 8.9 | 14.7 |
| Illinois | 5,426 | 22.9 | 9.8 | 28.7 | 10.7 | 9.7 | 6.7 | 11.5 |
| Indiana | 2,567 | 27.3 | 9.0 | 10.9 | 9.1 | 17.2 | 6.9 | 19.7 |
| Iowa | 1,811 | 20.3 | 9.3 | 9.7 | 39.4 | 1.4 | 7.7 | 12.2 |
| Kansas | 1,028 | 30.8 | 13.4 | 9.9 | 25.0 | 0.5 | 8.1 | 12.3 |
| Kentucky | 3,201 | 16.4 | 6.2 | 18.9 | 30.6 | 12.3 | 3.5 | 12.0 |
| Louisiana | 3,580 | 13.4 | 5.8 | 26.3 | 26.8 | 1.8 | 13.9 | 11.9 |
| Maine | 1,445 | 9.1 | 8.6 | 7.5 | 35.2 | 15.0 | 7.0 | 17.7 |
| Maryland | 2,256 | 24.1 | 4.0 | 22.0 | 21.6 | 1.3 | 9.5 | 17.5 |
| Massachusetts | 2,516 | 21.1 | 5.0 | 16.4 | 34.2 | 2.8 | 6.1 | 14.5 |
| Michigan | 4,992 | 22.6 | 6.8 | 7.9 | 34.7 | 9.9 | 7.0 | 11.1 |
| Minnesota | 1,888 | 25.4 | 13.7 | 14.9 | 10.0 | 19.4 | 10.8 | 5.8 |
| Mississippi | 2,661 | 13.1 | 5.4 | 12.3 | 14.7 | 36.1 | 7.9 | 10.4 |
| Missouri | 2,884 | 23.8 | 8.6 | 10.8 | 8.0 | 30.0 | 7.7 | 11.1 |
| Montana | 666 | 17.9 | 12.2 | 10.5 | 34.2 | 6.0 | 7.4 | 11.9 |
| Nebraska | 777 | 25.1 | 20.8 | 12.6 | 1.9 | 15.3 | 15.2 | 9.0 |
| Nevada | 817 | 28.4 | 6.7 | 9.6 | 34.0 | 5.4 | 5.0 | 10.9 |
| New Hampshire | 482 | 27.4 | 8.7 | 6.6 | 22.8 | 19.7 | 4.2 | 10.6 |
| New Jersey | 3,662 | 17.9 | 4.5 | 44.9 | 11.4 | 0.4 | 6.8 | 14.0 |
| New Mexico | 1,034 | 16.4 | 6.3 | 10.4 | 33.1 | 10.9 | 7.4 | 15.6 |
| New York | 13,623 | 13.5 | 6.1 | 51.1 | 4.8 | 4.4 | 11.4 | 8.7 |
| North Carolina | 3,900 | 32.1 | 5.0 | 8.7 | 29.0 | 5.5 | 12.4 | 7.3 |
| North Dakota | 411 | 14.8 | 19.2 | 18.2 | 16.3 | 5.8 | 11.7 | 13.9 |
| Ohio | 5,282 | 25.0 | 7.3 | 17.1 | 17.9 | 12.6 | 8.5 | 11.5 |
| Oklahoma | 2,243 | 16.6 | 6.2 | 8.2 | 56.8 | 0.6 | 4.0 | 7.6 |
| Oregon | 2,200 | 20.3 | 6.0 | 14.5 | 34.5 | 4.6 | 6.0 | 14.1 |
| Pennsylvania | 6,918 | 18.7 | 5.6 | 29.2 | 14.4 | 8.7 | 8.3 | 15.1 |
| Rhode Island | 732 | 11.8 | 4.4 | 17.6 | 35.1 | 6.8 | 9.3 | 15.0 |
| South Carolina | 2,091 | 30.8 | 3.4 | 10.3 | 27.9 | 6.0 | 12.7 | 8.8 |
| South Dakota | 524 | 15.3 | 17.2 | 17.8 | 24.4 | 4.2 | 7.6 | 13.6 |
| Tennessee | 3,549 | 21.8 | 7.1 | 17.4 | 27.9 | 5.6 | 4.0 | 16.3 |
| Texas | 10,316 | 18.9 | 5.3 | 13.3 | 32.8 | 11.7 | 8.7 | 9.3 |
| Utah | 743 | 31.8 | 6.7 | 11.4 | 9.7 | 18.7 | 12.6 | 9.0 |
| Vermont | 439 | 18.2 | 7.3 | 14.8 | 18.4 | 15.5 | 3.2 | 22.6 |
| Virginia | 3,550 | 23.6 | 4.4 | 10.4 | 29.5 | 14.2 | 7.0 | 10.9 |
| Washington | 3,034 | 24.6 | 6.1 | 12.1 | 16.9 | 20.0 | 6.6 | 13.8 |
| West Virginia | 2,095 | 12.0 | 4.6 | 16.4 | 11.9 | 39.5 | 3.5 | 12.1 |
| Wisconsin | 1,873 | 34.8 | 9.3 | 17.2 | 7.8 | 12.2 | 6.9 | 11.7 |
| Wyoming | 259 | 25.9 | 11.2 | 7.7 | 35.1 | 3.9 | 5.8 | 10.4 |
| Virgin Islands | 171 | 9.9 | 5.3 | 42.7 | 9.9 | 1.8 | 9.9 | 20.5 |

Note: Retailers identify their store type on FNS application forms; 20 store types were collapsed into the 7 categories shown in the table. Retailers identified as supermarkets and small/medium groceries were reclassified based on reported gross sales as supermarkets (over \$2 million), large grocery (\$500k to \$2 million), and small grocery (under \$500k).

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Table 5—Distribution of EBT Transactions and Redemption by Metropolitan, Micropolitan, and Rural Areas, FY2003

| | Percent of EBT transactions by retailer location ¹ | | | Percent of EBT redemption by retailer location ¹ | | |
|----------------------------|---|--------------|-------|---|--------------|-------|
| | Metropolitan | Micropolitan | Rural | Metropolitan | Micropolitan | Rural |
| Total U.S. | 78.8% | 12.8% | 8.5% | 78.6% | 13.3% | 8.2% |
| Alabama | 67.0 | 15.4 | 17.6 | 68.3 | 15.7 | 16.0 |
| Alaska | 43.7 | 8.4 | 48.0 | 43.5 | 6.8 | 49.7 |
| Arizona | 80.7 | 11.7 | 7.6 | 80.9 | 12.1 | 7.0 |
| Arkansas | 48.3 | 26.8 | 25.0 | 50.8 | 26.3 | 22.9 |
| California | 99.8 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 99.8 | 0.2 | 0.0 |
| Colorado | 82.4 | 4.7 | 12.9 | 84.1 | 4.7 | 11.2 |
| Connecticut | 95.3 | 4.6 | 0.0 | 94.9 | 5.0 | 0.0 |
| Delaware | 39.6 | 60.1 | 0.3 | 40.6 | 59.2 | 0.2 |
| District of Columbia | 99.9 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 99.9 | 0.1 | 0.0 |
| Florida | 92.8 | 4.4 | 2.8 | 92.8 | 4.5 | 2.7 |
| Georgia | 72.0 | 15.4 | 12.7 | 73.5 | 15.1 | 11.4 |
| Hawaii | 68.7 | 31.3 | 0.0 | 65.5 | 34.5 | 0.0 |
| Idaho | 68.4 | 19.8 | 11.9 | 70.3 | 19.8 | 9.9 |
| Illinois | 87.1 | 8.7 | 4.2 | 87.1 | 9.0 | 3.8 |
| Indiana | 81.4 | 14.3 | 4.3 | 82.4 | 13.8 | 3.9 |
| Iowa | 56.6 | 31.6 | 11.8 | 57.0 | 32.0 | 11.0 |
| Kansas | 62.1 | 25.3 | 12.6 | 63.1 | 26.4 | 10.5 |
| Kentucky | 42.9 | 21.1 | 36.0 | 43.6 | 22.1 | 34.3 |
| Louisiana | 69.7 | 22.0 | 8.3 | 70.1 | 22.3 | 7.5 |
| Maine | 63.7 | 9.9 | 26.4 | 62.2 | 10.8 | 27.0 |
| Maryland | 94.1 | 4.2 | 1.7 | 93.2 | 5.0 | 1.8 |
| Massachusetts | 99.7 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 99.5 | 0.4 | 0.1 |
| Michigan | 84.6 | 8.3 | 7.1 | 83.4 | 9.2 | 7.4 |
| Minnesota | 73.5 | 15.6 | 10.9 | 74.7 | 15.8 | 9.5 |
| Mississippi | 35.4 | 41.1 | 23.5 | 37.7 | 41.3 | 21.0 |
| Missouri | 67.0 | 17.3 | 15.7 | 68.5 | 17.7 | 13.8 |
| Montana | 35.1 | 24.2 | 40.7 | 37.1 | 26.3 | 36.6 |
| Nebraska | 61.5 | 24.3 | 14.2 | 62.9 | 25.3 | 11.8 |
| Nevada | 91.0 | 5.8 | 3.2 | 90.4 | 6.6 | 3.0 |
| New Hampshire | 56.8 | 34.5 | 8.7 | 57.4 | 34.0 | 8.6 |
| New Jersey | 99.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 99.9 | 0.1 | 0.0 |
| New Mexico | 57.2 | 37.0 | 5.8 | 58.9 | 36.0 | 5.1 |
| New York | 95.1 | 3.8 | 1.1 | 93.7 | 4.9 | 1.4 |
| North Carolina | 63.1 | 27.1 | 9.8 | 64.5 | 26.3 | 9.1 |
| North Dakota | 40.1 | 24.0 | 35.9 | 40.9 | 26.3 | 32.8 |
| Ohio | 81.1 | 14.6 | 4.4 | 81.8 | 14.2 | 4.0 |
| Oklahoma | 60.7 | 21.5 | 17.8 | 61.7 | 22.7 | 15.6 |
| Oregon | 71.3 | 24.1 | 4.6 | 72.3 | 23.3 | 4.4 |
| Pennsylvania | 87.3 | 10.1 | 2.6 | 86.7 | 10.7 | 2.6 |
| Rhode Island | 99.9 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 99.8 | 0.1 | 0.0 |
| South Carolina | 66.3 | 21.8 | 11.9 | 67.8 | 21.8 | 10.4 |
| South Dakota | 36.8 | 20.9 | 42.2 | 37.6 | 23.2 | 39.3 |
| Tennessee | 69.0 | 16.3 | 14.8 | 69.8 | 16.8 | 13.4 |
| Texas | 84.7 | 8.8 | 6.5 | 85.0 | 9.1 | 5.9 |
| Utah | 82.0 | 8.7 | 9.3 | 82.3 | 8.8 | 8.9 |
| Vermont | 30.4 | 40.7 | 29.0 | 30.8 | 40.0 | 29.3 |
| Virginia | 77.7 | 4.9 | 17.4 | 77.7 | 5.3 | 17.0 |
| Virgin Islands | 97.7 | 2.1 | 0.2 | 97.5 | 2.3 | 0.2 |
| Washington | 85.3 | 10.4 | 4.3 | 85.3 | 10.6 | 4.1 |
| West Virginia | 63.6 | 14.5 | 21.9 | 62.6 | 15.1 | 22.3 |
| Wisconsin | 85.2 | 6.5 | 8.3 | 83.6 | 7.4 | 9.0 |
| Wyoming | 34.9 | 40.7 | 24.4 | 35.0 | 42.1 | 22.9 |

¹ For the food stamp caseload of each State, table shows the location where benefits were redeemed based on retailer addresses. Because households may cross county and State boundaries to redeem benefits, the distribution of redemption by retailer location may differ from the distribution of benefits by household location.

Source: USDA, Food and Nutrition Service. EBT Redemption Transactions from ALERT System, FY2003. Average monthly statistics.

Table 6—State EBT Caseloads, Transactions, and Redemption, FY2003

| | Annual | | | Average monthly | | |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------|---|----------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------|
| | Number of households using EBT | Number purchase transactions (millions) | Amount redeemed (millions) | Number of households using EBT | Number purchase transactions | Amount redeemed (millions) |
| Total U.S. | 13,035,976 | 756.8 | \$19,310.2 | 8,466,608 | 64,626,119 | \$1,649.5 |
| Alabama | 266,183 | 16.6 | 465.8 | 182,866 | 1,383,490 | 38.8 |
| Alaska | 29,368 | 1.8 | 65.8 | 17,297 | 152,530 | 5.5 |
| Arizona | 295,585 | 19.3 | 496.6 | 183,585 | 1,611,535 | 41.4 |
| Arkansas | 185,500 | 11.4 | 303.9 | 123,640 | 951,911 | 25.3 |
| California ¹ | 518,712 | 21.5 | 561.0 | 220,739 | 1,789,525 | 46.7 |
| Colorado | 144,951 | 7.2 | 202.9 | 83,532 | 597,401 | 16.9 |
| Connecticut | 126,177 | 6.2 | 165.9 | 88,150 | 513,075 | 13.8 |
| Delaware ¹ | 21,445 | 0.2 | 6.6 | 11,443 | 72,752 | 2.2 |
| District of Columbia | 55,304 | 3.4 | 87.8 | 38,308 | 279,807 | 7.3 |
| Florida | 803,656 | 35.8 | 988.5 | 482,533 | 2,986,397 | 82.4 |
| Georgia | 458,035 | 26.7 | 780.4 | 308,361 | 2,225,169 | 65.0 |
| Hawaii | 68,035 | 7.6 | 156.1 | 49,510 | 631,506 | 13.0 |
| Idaho | 52,710 | 3.0 | 76.4 | 32,452 | 247,320 | 6.4 |
| Illinois | 643,654 | 39.2 | 960.4 | 428,984 | 3,559,995 | 87.3 |
| Indiana | 296,497 | 17.7 | 483.6 | 198,184 | 1,473,432 | 40.3 |
| Iowa ¹ | 43,076 | 0.5 | 11.8 | 31,799 | 243,996 | 5.9 |
| Kansas | 105,647 | 5.5 | 140.2 | 67,170 | 459,223 | 11.7 |
| Kentucky | 295,493 | 18.8 | 486.1 | 209,885 | 1,565,019 | 40.5 |
| Louisiana | 370,871 | 25.3 | 628.9 | 254,497 | 2,301,813 | 57.2 |
| Maine ¹ | 75,138 | 1.7 | 43.6 | 54,528 | 347,707 | 8.7 |
| Maryland | 170,517 | 9.9 | 254.5 | 111,999 | 821,570 | 21.2 |
| Massachusetts | 195,280 | 8.5 | 253.2 | 124,201 | 710,297 | 21.1 |
| Michigan | 527,409 | 30.2 | 780.9 | 351,646 | 2,516,251 | 65.1 |
| Minnesota | 158,748 | 7.6 | 224.1 | 96,824 | 631,562 | 18.7 |
| Mississippi ¹ | 183,740 | 7.5 | 198.9 | 142,947 | 1,076,437 | 28.4 |
| Missouri | 359,838 | 21.6 | 565.6 | 243,648 | 1,797,114 | 47.1 |
| Montana | 43,265 | 2.8 | 68.5 | 28,876 | 234,372 | 5.7 |
| Nebraska | 67,440 | 3.3 | 89.0 | 41,611 | 279,128 | 7.4 |
| Nevada | 85,143 | 4.2 | 113.2 | 47,374 | 351,201 | 9.4 |
| New Hampshire | 33,468 | 1.3 | 39.9 | 20,798 | 108,921 | 3.3 |
| New Jersey | 229,515 | 14.5 | 340.1 | 155,115 | 1,209,643 | 28.3 |
| New Mexico | 118,752 | 6.9 | 182.9 | 74,256 | 574,695 | 15.2 |
| New York | 1,004,648 | 82.1 | 1,665.5 | 735,648 | 6,839,211 | 138.8 |
| North Carolina | 434,877 | 20.6 | 585.5 | 267,400 | 1,869,374 | 53.2 |
| North Dakota | 25,214 | 1.4 | 36.6 | 16,813 | 115,835 | 3.1 |
| Ohio | 537,684 | 31.6 | 842.8 | 367,801 | 2,629,486 | 70.2 |
| Oklahoma | 236,232 | 15.3 | 361.9 | 149,280 | 1,276,225 | 30.2 |
| Oregon | 275,076 | 18.1 | 367.5 | 179,255 | 1,504,663 | 30.6 |
| Pennsylvania | 520,426 | 31.6 | 784.6 | 365,835 | 2,634,126 | 65.4 |
| Rhode Island | 46,742 | 2.8 | 69.7 | 33,836 | 235,993 | 5.8 |
| South Carolina | 256,161 | 14.9 | 442.0 | 183,577 | 1,244,662 | 36.8 |
| South Dakota | 31,932 | 1.9 | 50.4 | 20,021 | 162,191 | 4.2 |
| Tennessee | 463,994 | 26.6 | 720.0 | 312,598 | 2,217,365 | 60.0 |
| Texas | 1,181,303 | 70.8 | 1,874.7 | 726,384 | 5,897,684 | 156.2 |
| Utah | 71,317 | 3.8 | 99.5 | 39,414 | 318,975 | 8.3 |
| Vermont | 22,208 | 1.1 | 32.0 | 13,649 | 92,309 | 2.7 |
| Virginia | 261,033 | 13.2 | 357.2 | 167,393 | 1,099,225 | 29.8 |
| Virgin Islands ¹ | 5,561 | 0.4 | 13.8 | 4,387 | 39,666 | 1.5 |
| Washington | 308,284 | 18.1 | 399.7 | 196,527 | 1,506,999 | 33.3 |
| West Virginia ¹ | 124,584 | 5.1 | 126.8 | 59,230 | 428,606 | 10.6 |
| Wisconsin | 181,741 | 8.9 | 233.7 | 110,849 | 740,275 | 19.5 |
| Wyoming | 17,807 | 0.8 | 23.4 | 9,955 | 68,456 | 2.0 |

¹ At the start of FY2003, statewide EBT implementation was not complete in California, Delaware, Iowa, Maine, Mississippi, Virgin Islands, and West Virginia. Thus, EBT activity does not capture all food stamp redemption in these States.

Source: USDA, Food and Nutrition Service. EBT Redemption Transactions from ALERT System, FY2003.

Table 7—Characteristics of Food Stamp Households: Comparison of Full QC Sample with Matched QC-ALERT Sample, FY2003

| | Full QC Sample | | | QC-ALERT Matched Sample | | |
|---------------------------------------|----------------|----------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| | Sample size | Weighted sample size | Percent of households | Sample size | Weighted sample size | Percent of households |
| All households | 48,896 | 8,971,219 | 100.0% | 39,148 | 6,937,603 | 100.0% |
| Household type | | | | | | |
| With and without children | | | | | | |
| Households with children | 26,340 | 4,909,222 | 54.7 | 21,152 | 3,717,128 | 53.6 * |
| Households without children | 22,556 | 4,061,997 | 45.3 | 17,996 | 3,220,475 | 46.4 * |
| Types of households with children | | | | | | |
| Single-adult households | 16,979 | 3,075,152 | 34.3 | 13,863 | 2,418,552 | 34.9 |
| Multiple-adult households | 7,424 | 1,315,866 | 14.7 | 5,909 | 1,011,494 | 14.6 |
| Children only | 1,937 | 518,204 | 5.8 | 1,380 | 287,083 | 4.1 * |
| All households, by type | | | | | | |
| With elderly | 8,221 | 1,567,725 | 17.5 | 6,592 | 1,291,771 | 18.6 * |
| With disabled, nonelderly | 12,132 | 2,088,693 | 23.3 | 9,756 | 1,703,523 | 24.6 * |
| With children, no elderly or disabled | 21,445 | 4,024,768 | 44.9 | 17,113 | 2,982,027 | 43.0 * |
| Other households | 7,098 | 1,290,033 | 14.4 | 5,687 | 960,282 | 13.8 |
| Household size | | | | | | |
| 1 | 20,622 | 3,763,274 | 42.0 | 16,414 | 2,927,814 | 42.2 |
| 2 | 9,827 | 1,828,754 | 20.4 | 7,824 | 1,392,956 | 20.1 |
| 3 | 8,032 | 1,476,758 | 16.5 | 6,537 | 1,144,632 | 16.5 |
| 4+ | 10,415 | 1,902,434 | 21.2 | 8,373 | 1,472,201 | 21.2 |
| Race of household head ¹ | | | | | | |
| White | 25,495 | 4,135,113 | 46.1 | 20,359 | 3,205,815 | 46.2 |
| African American | 14,150 | 2,938,325 | 32.8 | 11,902 | 2,385,990 | 34.4 * |
| Hispanic | 5,986 | 1,491,242 | 16.6 | 4,369 | 1,058,380 | 15.3 * |
| Other | 2,898 | 325,430 | 3.6 | 2,220 | 222,895 | 3.2 * |
| Employment status | | | | | | |
| Households with earnings | 13,853 | 2,532,589 | 28.2 | 11,171 | 1,982,463 | 28.6 |
| Households without earnings | 35,043 | 6,438,630 | 71.8 | 27,977 | 4,955,140 | 71.4 |
| Receipt of TANF | | | | | | |
| Yes | 8,137 | 1,528,625 | 17.0 | 6,223 | 1,041,421 | 15.0 * |
| No | 40,759 | 7,442,594 | 83.0 | 32,925 | 5,896,182 | 85.0 * |
| Food stamp benefit ² | | | | | | |
| \$10 or less | 2,864 | 454,255 | 5.1 | 2,124 | 342,363 | 4.9 |
| \$11-100 | 11,914 | 2,118,835 | 23.6 | 9,508 | 1,691,442 | 24.4 * |
| \$101-200 | 14,681 | 2,855,208 | 31.8 | 11,818 | 2,150,642 | 31.0 * |
| \$201-300 | 9,076 | 1,671,387 | 18.6 | 7,309 | 1,273,505 | 18.4 |
| \$301 or more | 10,361 | 1,871,535 | 20.9 | 8,389 | 1,479,652 | 21.3 |
| Minimum benefit | 2,850 | 451,799 | 5.0 | 2,117 | 341,036 | 4.9 |
| Maximum benefit | 9,862 | 1,930,985 | 21.5 | 7,485 | 1,432,218 | 20.6 * |
| Months in certification period | | | | | | |
| ≤ 6 months | 19,675 | 3,710,517 | 41.4 | 16,507 | 3,172,770 | 45.7 * |
| 7-12 months | 25,044 | 4,463,389 | 49.8 | 18,933 | 3,040,344 | 43.8 * |
| >12 months | 4,039 | 776,650 | 8.7 | 3,619 | 708,316 | 10.2 * |

¹ Number of households by race of household head includes households with a nonparticipating head or "no adult listed on file".

² Food stamp benefit amount is measured by EBT issuance observed in the ALERT data.

* Denotes statistically significant difference between QC-ALERT Matched Sample and Full Sample (column 6 versus column 3). Differences are tested at the .05 level of significance.

† Denotes individual estimates not meeting the standards of reliability or precision due to inadequate cell size or large coefficient of variation.

Source: USDA, Fiscal Year 2003 Food Stamp Program Quality Control data and ALERT data. Matched sample represents 77.3 percent of the full QC sample. Matched sample excludes Guam (no EBT system) and six States that were unable to provide data needed for linking QC households with ALERT data (California, Delaware, Iowa, New Mexico, Ohio, and Pennsylvania). Among States that could be matched, 92 percent of QC households were matched to ALERT data.

Table 7—Characteristics of Food Stamp Households: Comparison of Full QC Sample with Matched QC-ALERT Sample, FY2003
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| | Full QC Sample | | | QC-ALERT Matched Sample | | |
|--------------------------------------|----------------|----------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| | Sample size | Weighted sample size | Percent of households | Sample size | Weighted sample size | Percent of households |
| Geographic location | | | | | | |
| Region | | | | | | |
| Northeast | 5,528 | 1,085,516 | 12.1% | 4,452 | 880,468 | 12.7% |
| Mid Atlantic | 6,967 | 967,957 | 10.8 | 4,769 | 538,777 | 7.8 * |
| Midwest | 8,443 | 2,084,161 | 23.2 | 7,898 | 1,986,332 | 28.6 * |
| Southeast | 6,235 | 1,558,231 | 17.4 | 4,975 | 1,160,533 | 16.7 * |
| Southwest | 6,416 | 1,300,573 | 14.5 | 4,874 | 1,188,815 | 17.1 * |
| Mountain Plains | 8,155 | 620,544 | 6.9 | 6,430 | 512,348 | 7.4 * |
| West | 6,870 | 1,347,382 | 15.0 | 5,750 | 670,331 | 9.7 * |
| Metro/Nonmetro areas | | | | | | |
| Metropolitan | 33,748 | 6,884,035 | 76.7 | 27,221 | 5,195,249 | 74.9 * |
| Nonmetro, micropolitan | 7,761 | 1,138,156 | › 12.7 | 5,981 | 917,047 | › 13.2 * |
| Nonmetro, noncore | 6,297 | 894,621 | › 10.0 | 5,195 | 778,714 | › 11.2 * |
| County with peristent poverty | | | | | | |
| Yes | 4,636 | 849,287 | › 9.5 | 3,739 | 764,805 | › 11.0 * |
| No | 43,170 | 8,067,526 | 89.9 | 34,658 | 6,126,204 | 88.3 * |

* Denotes statistically significant difference between QC-ALERT Matched Sample and Full Sample (column 6 versus column 3). Differences are tested at the .05 level of significance.

› Denotes individual estimates not meeting the standards of reliability or precision due to inadequate cell size or large coefficient of variation.

Source: USDA, Fiscal Year 2003 Food Stamp Program Quality Control data and ALERT data. Matched sample represents 77.3 percent of the full QC sample. Matched sample excludes Guam (no EBT system) and six States that were unable to provide data needed for linking QC households with ALERT data (California, Delaware, Iowa, New Mexico, Ohio, and Pennsylvania). Among States that could be matched, 92 percent of QC households were matched to ALERT data.

Appendix A

EBT Benefit Redemption Characteristics:

Matched QC-ALERT Sample

Table A-1—Average Number of Monthly EBT Purchase Transactions Per Household, and Distribution of Households by Number of Transactions: FY2003 Matched QC-ALERT Sample

| | Average number of transactions per household | Number of monthly transactions ¹ | | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|--|---|--------|--------|------------------|--------|--------------------|
| | | One | 2-5 | 6-10 | 11-15 | 16-20 | >20 |
| | | <i>Percent of households</i> | | | | | |
| All households | 7.6 | 8.3% | 36.9% | 30.9% | 14.0% | 5.6% | 4.3% |
| Household type | | | | | | | |
| With and without children | | | | | | | |
| Households with children | 9.7 | 1.8 | 25.0 | 37.5 | 20.6 | 8.7 | 6.4 |
| Households without children | 5.2* | 15.8 * | 50.7 * | 23.2 * | 6.4 * | 2.0 * | 1.8 * |
| Types of households with children | | | | | | | |
| Single-adult households | 9.4 | 2.0 | 25.6 | 38.1 | 20.6 | 8.1 | 5.5 |
| Multiple-adult households | 10.8* | 1.2 * | 20.4 * | 36.1 | 22.3 | 10.7 * | 9.2 * |
| Children only | 8.3* | 2.0 | 35.4 * | 36.8 | 14.6 * | 7.0 | 4.0 |
| All households, by type | | | | | | | |
| With elderly | 4.6 | 22.9 | 51.6 | 17.2 | 4.3 | 1.8 | 2.2 |
| With disabled, nonelderly | 6.1* | 12.6 * | 46.7 * | 25.1 * | 9.7 * | 3.3 * | 2.6 |
| With children, no elderly or disabled | 10.0* | 1.3 * | 23.1 * | 38.1 * | 21.6 * | 9.2 * | 6.6 * |
| Other households | 7.1* | 2.8 * | 42.6 * | 37.0 * | 11.4 * | 3.6 * | 2.6 |
| Household size | | | | | | | |
| 1 | 5.0 | 16.1 | 51.8 | 22.7 | 6.0 | 1.9 | 1.5 |
| 2 | 7.3* | 5.5 * | 37.8 * | 37.0 * | 13.1 * | 4.2 * | 2.4 * |
| 3 | 9.5* | 1.5 * | 24.6 * | 39.0 * | 21.8 * | 8.0 * | 5.1 * |
| 4+ | 11.7* | 0.8 * | 16.1 * | 35.0 * | 24.8 * | 12.4 * | 11.0 * |
| Race of household head | | | | | | | |
| White | 6.9 | 10.8 | 40.0 | 29.2 | 12.0 | 4.8 | 3.2 |
| African American | 8.1* | 6.0 * | 34.2 * | 33.6 * | 15.6 * | 6.0 * | 4.7 * |
| Hispanic | 8.2* | 6.6 * | 35.1 * | 30.3 | 16.1 * | 6.4 * | 5.5 * |
| Other | 9.5* | 5.3 * | 32.0 * | 29.2 | 16.5 * | 8.1 * | 9.0 * |
| Employment status | | | | | | | |
| Households with earnings | 8.6 | 3.5 | 32.4 | 35.4 | 17.0 | 6.8 | 4.9 |
| Households without earnings | 7.2* | 10.2 * | 38.7 * | 29.1 * | 12.8 * | 5.2 * | 4.0 * |
| Receipt of TANF | | | | | | | |
| Yes | 10.2 | 1.7 | 22.1 | 37.3 | 21.8 | 10.0 | 7.1 |
| No | 7.2* | 9.5 * | 39.6 * | 29.7 * | 12.6 * | 4.8 * | 3.8 * |
| Food stamp benefit | | | | | | | |
| \$10 or less | 1.6 | 58.3 | 41.0 | 0.6 | [‡] 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| \$11-100 | 3.5* | 18.9 * | 64.2 * | 14.5 * | 1.8 * | 0.5 * | [‡] 0.1 * |
| \$101-200 | 7.0* | 2.4 * | 44.5 | 36.7 * | 10.8 * | 3.3 * | 2.3 * |
| \$201-300 | 9.4* | 0.2 * | 21.4 * | 46.8 * | 20.7 * | 7.0 * | 3.8 * |
| \$301 or more | 13.1* | 0.2 * | 7.2 * | 34.3 * | 30.2 * | 14.9 * | 13.3 * |
| Minimum benefit | 1.6 | 58.2 | 41.0 | 0.6 | [‡] 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Maximum benefit | 9.2* | 1.5 * | 29.1 * | 38.4 * | 18.1 * | 7.4 * | 5.5 * |
| Months in certification period | | | | | | | |
| ≤ 6 months | 8.9 | 2.4 | 30.2 | 37.0 | 18.0 | 7.3 | 5.3 |
| 7-12 months | 6.9* | 12.2 * | 39.8 * | 27.4 * | 12.0 * | 4.9 * | 3.7 * |
| >12 months | 4.7* | 18.0 * | 55.1 * | 18.2 * | 5.0 * | 1.6 * | 2.0 * |

¹ Excludes households with zero transactions.

* Denotes statistically significant difference in means and proportions (.05 level). Comparisons are made within table columns, relative to the first row in each subgroup category. The Bonferroni adjustment was used to control for multiplicity in the number of tests when household subgroups contain more than two categories.

[‡] Denotes individual estimates not meeting the standards of reliability or precision due to inadequate cell size or large coefficient of variation.

Source: USDA, Fiscal Year 2003 Food Stamp Program Quality Control data and ALERT data. Matched sample excludes the following States: California, Delaware, Guam, Iowa, New Mexico, Ohio, and Pennsylvania. Household-level EBT statistics are calculated as average monthly statistics over the three months centered on the QC sample month. See Table 7 for sample sizes.

Table A-1—Average Number of Monthly EBT Purchase Transactions Per Household, and Distribution of Households by Number of Transactions: FY2003 Matched QC-ALERT Sample
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| | Average number of transactions per household | Number of monthly transactions ¹ | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|--|---|--------|--------|--------|-------|-------|
| | | One | 2-5 | 6-10 | 11-15 | 16-20 | >20 |
| | | Percent of households | | | | | |
| Geographic location | | | | | | | |
| Region | | | | | | | |
| Northeast | 8.2 | 10.2% | 34.5% | 28.6% | 13.6% | 6.4% | 6.7% |
| Mid Atlantic | 7.1* | 11.5 | 39.3 * | 28.4 | 11.4 | 5.4 | 4.1 * |
| Midwest | 6.9* | 9.5 | 39.4 * | 31.2 | 12.8 | 4.3 * | 2.8 * |
| Southeast | 7.5* | 7.4 * | 39.5 * | 30.4 | 13.4 | 5.1 | 4.2 * |
| Southwest | 8.4 | 5.8 * | 33.4 | 32.4 * | 16.5 * | 6.7 | 5.2 |
| Mountain Plains | 7.2* | 9.4 | 37.2 | 30.9 | 13.9 | 5.9 | 2.7 * |
| West | 8.6 | 5.0 * | 32.7 | 32.9 * | 16.9 * | 7.3 | 5.2 |
| Metro/Nonmetro areas | | | | | | | |
| Metropolitan | 7.8 | 8.0 | 36.2 | 31.1 | 14.4 | 5.6 | 4.6 |
| Nonmetro, micropolitan | 7.3* | 8.6 | 38.1 | 31.2 | 13.0 | 5.5 | 3.4 * |
| Nonmetro, noncore | 7.0* | 10.1 * | 39.8 * | 29.1 | 12.6 | 5.7 | 2.8 * |
| County with peristent poverty | | | | | | | |
| Yes | 8.2 | 7.4 | 34.6 | 30.6 | 15.4 | 6.9 | 5.1 |
| No | 7.6* | 8.4 * | 37.2 * | 30.9 | 13.8 * | 5.5 * | 4.2 |

¹ Excludes households with zero transactions.

* Denotes statistically significant difference in means and proportions (.05 level). Comparisons are made within table columns, relative to the first row in each subgroup category. The Bonferroni adjustment was used to control for multiplicity in the number of tests when household subgroups contain more than two categories.

Source: USDA, Fiscal Year 2003 Food Stamp Program Quality Control data and ALERT data. Matched sample excludes the following States: California, Delaware, Guam, Iowa, New Mexico, Ohio, and Pennsylvania. Household-level EBT statistics are calculated as average monthly statistics over the three months centered on the QC sample month. See Table 7 for sample sizes.

Table A-2—Average EBT Purchase Amount, and Distribution of Transactions by Dollar Amount: FY2003 Matched QC-ALERT Sample

| | Average purchase amount | Dollar amount of EBT purchase transactions | | | | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------------|--|--------|---------|---------|---------|----------|-----------|--------|
| | | <\$5 | \$5-10 | \$11-25 | \$26-50 | \$51-75 | \$76-100 | \$101-200 | >\$200 |
| | | <i>Percent of transactions</i> | | | | | | | |
| All households | \$27.90 | 23.0% | 22.6% | 23.5% | 14.8% | 6.6% | 3.6% | 4.9% | 1.0% |
| Household type | | | | | | | | | |
| With and without children | | | | | | | | | |
| Households with children | 31.53 | 21.1 | 21.4 | 23.4 | 15.4 | 7.2 | 4.1 | 6.0 | 1.4 |
| Households without children | 20.07* | 27.1 * | 25.4 * | 23.8 | 13.4 * | 5.3 * | 2.6 * | 2.4 * | 0.1 * |
| Types of households with children | | | | | | | | | |
| Single-adult households | 31.65 | 22.0 | 21.3 | 22.7 | 15.0 | 7.2 | 4.2 | 6.1 | 1.5 |
| Multiple-adult households | 31.75 | 19.7 * | 21.3 | 24.2 * | 16.3 * | 7.1 | 4.1 | 5.9 | 1.4 |
| Children only | 29.36* | 18.4 * | 22.9 | 25.6 * | 15.4 | 7.4 | 4.2 | 5.3 * | 0.8 * |
| All households, by type | | | | | | | | | |
| With elderly | 19.16 | 23.8 | 27.1 | 26.4 | 14.1 | 4.7 | 2.1 | 1.7 | 0.1 |
| With disabled, nonelderly | 25.83* | 24.3 | 23.6 * | 23.1 * | 14.3 | 6.4 * | 3.4 * | 4.2 * | 0.8 * |
| With children, no elderly or disabled | 31.85* | 20.9 * | 21.2 * | 23.4 * | 15.6 * | 7.2 * | 4.2 * | 6.1 * | 1.4 * |
| Other households | 21.39* | 29.4 * | 23.6 * | 21.8 * | 12.9 * | 5.7 * | 3.1 * | 3.3 * | 0.2 |
| Household size | | | | | | | | | |
| 1 | 19.91 | 27.2 | 25.2 | 23.8 | 13.4 | 5.3 | 2.6 | 2.3 | 0.1 |
| 2 | 26.78* | 23.0 * | 22.9 * | 23.7 | 14.5 * | 6.5 * | 3.8 * | 4.9 * | 0.6 * |
| 3 | 30.56* | 21.6 * | 21.6 * | 23.5 | 15.1 * | 7.1 * | 4.0 * | 5.9 * | 1.2 * |
| 4+ | 33.69* | 20.2 * | 21.0 * | 23.0 * | 16.0 * | 7.4 * | 4.2 * | 6.3 * | 1.9 * |
| Race of household head | | | | | | | | | |
| White | 27.70 | 20.8 | 22.7 | 25.0 | 15.6 | 6.7 | 3.6 | 4.7 | 0.8 |
| African American | 28.55* | 26.6 * | 21.9 * | 21.0 * | 13.7 * | 6.5 | 3.7 | 5.3 * | 1.3 * |
| Hispanic | 27.91 | 20.7 | 23.4 * | 24.4 | 15.4 | 6.6 | 3.8 | 4.8 | 0.9 |
| Other | 26.18* | 19.8 | 24.9 * | 26.1 | 15.5 | 5.8 * | 3.1 * | 3.9 * | 0.9 |
| Employment status | | | | | | | | | |
| Households with earnings | 29.82 | 20.7 | 21.7 | 24.2 | 15.8 | 7.0 | 4.0 | 5.5 | 1.0 |
| Households without earnings | 26.98* | 24.0 * | 23.1 * | 23.2 * | 14.3 * | 6.4 * | 3.5 * | 4.6 * | 1.0 |
| Receipt of TANF | | | | | | | | | |
| Yes | 31.00 | 23.6 | 21.9 | 21.6 | 14.3 | 7.0 | 4.0 | 6.1 | 1.5 |
| No | 27.12* | 22.8 * | 22.8 * | 23.9 * | 14.9 * | 6.5 * | 3.6 * | 4.6 * | 0.9 * |
| Food stamp benefit | | | | | | | | | |
| \$10 or less | 8.84 | 27.0 | 55.2 | 14.9 | 2.4 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| \$11-100 | 19.16* | 23.9 * | 24.4 * | 26.5 * | 16.2 * | 5.9 * | 2.3 * | 0.6 * | 0.0 |
| \$101-200 | 23.10* | 26.4 | 23.5 * | 23.1 * | 13.4 * | 6.0 * | 3.5 * | 4.0 * | 0.1 * |
| \$201-300 | 29.34* | 22.0 * | 22.1 * | 23.7 * | 14.8 * | 6.7 * | 3.9 * | 5.8 * | 1.0 * |
| \$301 or more | 33.94* | 20.5 * | 20.8 * | 23.0 * | 15.9 * | 7.4 * | 4.1 * | 6.4 * | 2.0 * |
| Minimum benefit | 8.85 | 27.0 | 55.2 | 14.9 | 2.4 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Maximum benefit | 27.25* | 24.2 * | 22.6 * | 22.8 * | 14.3 * | 6.6 * | 3.7 * | 4.9 * | 0.8 * |
| Months in certification period | | | | | | | | | |
| ≤ 6 months | 29.99 | 22.0 | 21.8 | 23.2 | 15.2 | 7.0 | 4.0 | 5.6 | 1.2 |
| 7-12 months | 26.29* | 23.6 * | 23.3 * | 23.7 | 14.5 * | 6.3 * | 3.4 * | 4.4 * | 0.8 * |
| >12 months | 20.41* | 26.4 * | 25.6 * | 24.2 | 13.7 * | 5.2 * | 2.5 * | 2.1 * | 0.3 * |

* Denotes statistically significant difference in means and proportions (.05 level). Comparisons are made within table columns, relative to the first row in each subgroup category. The Bonferroni adjustment was used to control for multiplicity in the number of tests when household subgroups contain more than two categories.

† Denotes individual estimates not meeting the standards of reliability or precision due to inadequate cell size or large coefficient of variation.

Source: USDA, Fiscal Year 2003 Food Stamp Program Quality Control data and ALERT data. Matched sample excludes the following States: California, Delaware, Guam, Iowa, New Mexico, Ohio, and Pennsylvania. Household-level EBT statistics are calculated as average monthly statistics over the three months centered on the QC sample month. See Table 7 for sample sizes.

Table A-2—Average EBT Purchase Amount, and Distribution of Transactions by Dollar Amount: FY2003 Matched QC-ALERT Sample
— Continued

| | Average purchase amount | Dollar amount of EBT purchase transactions | | | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------|--|--------|---------|---------|---------|----------|-----------|--------|
| | | <\$5 | \$5-10 | \$11-25 | \$26-50 | \$51-75 | \$76-100 | \$101-200 | >\$200 |
| | | Percent of transactions | | | | | | | |
| Geographic location | | | | | | | | | |
| Region | | | | | | | | | |
| Northeast | \$24.16 | 26.4% | 26.2% | 22.7% | 11.5% | 4.9% | 2.9% | 4.3% | 0.9% |
| Mid Atlantic | 27.86* | 24.7 | 22.6 * | 22.2 | 14.3 * | 6.5 * | 3.7 * | 5.0 * | 1.0 |
| Midwest | 29.78* | 20.0 * | 21.5 * | 24.5 * | 16.3 * | 7.4 * | 4.0 * | 5.2 * | 1.0 |
| Southeast | 28.65* | 23.8 | 21.5 * | 22.6 | 15.0 * | 7.0 * | 3.9 * | 5.2 * | 1.0 |
| Southwest | 28.43* | 23.8 * | 21.9 * | 22.6 | 15.4 * | 6.6 * | 3.7 * | 4.8 | 1.2 |
| Mountain Plains | 28.69* | 20.5 * | 22.5 * | 24.8 * | 15.7 * | 6.9 * | 3.7 * | 4.8 | 1.0 |
| West | 25.58 | 23.4 * | 23.9 * | 24.8 * | 14.0 * | 5.9 * | 3.2 | 4.1 | 0.8 |
| Metro/Nonmetro areas | | | | | | | | | |
| Metropolitan | 27.83 | 23.7 | 22.6 | 23.1 | 14.5 | 6.5 | 3.6 | 4.9 | 1.0 |
| Nonmetro, micropolitan | 28.12 | 20.8 * | 22.3 | 24.6 * | 16.1 * | 6.9 | 3.7 | 4.7 | 0.8 * |
| Nonmetro, noncore | 27.93 | 20.0 * | 23.3 | 25.0 * | 15.7 * | 6.7 | 3.7 | 4.8 | 0.8 * |
| County with peristent poverty | | | | | | | | | |
| Yes | 26.84 | 24.1 | 23.0 | 22.7 | 14.8 | 6.5 | 3.6 | 4.5 | 0.9 |
| No | 28.02* | 22.8 * | 22.6 | 23.6 * | 14.8 | 6.6 | 3.7 | 4.9 * | 1.0 |

* Denotes statistically significant difference in means and proportions (.05 level). Comparisons are made within table columns, relative to the first row in each subgroup category. The Bonferroni adjustment was used to control for multiplicity in the number of tests when household subgroups contain more than two categories.

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Table A-3—Distribution of EBT Purchase Transactions by Store Type: FY2003 Matched QC-ALERT Sample

| | Distribution of EBT purchase transactions ¹ | | | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|--|------------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------|-------------------|---------------|
| | Super- markets | Large grocery | Small grocery | Conven- ience | Gas/ grocery | Specialty food | Other type |
| All households | 65.1% | 8.3% | 9.3% | 7.4% | 3.3% | 3.3% | 3.3% |
| Household type | | | | | | | |
| With and without children | | | | | | | |
| Households with children | 65.5 | 7.8 | 9.0 | 7.9 | 3.6 | 2.9 | 3.2 |
| Households without children | 64.1 * | 9.2 * | 10.0 * | 6.3 * | 2.6 * | 4.2 * | 3.5 |
| Types of households with children | | | | | | | |
| Single-adult households | 65.2 | 7.3 | 9.3 | 8.6 | 3.8 | 2.8 | 3.1 |
| Multiple-adult households | 67.0 | 8.5 | 7.6 * | 6.8 * | 3.7 | 2.8 | 3.6 |
| Children only | 62.3 | 9.6 * | 12.3 | 6.7 | 1.9 * | 4.5 * | 2.7 |
| All households, by type | | | | | | | |
| With elderly | 65.4 | 12.3 | 9.1 | 2.4 | 0.8 | 7.0 | 3.0 |
| With disabled, nonelderly | 63.6 | 8.5 * | 10.1 | 7.8 * | 3.4 * | 3.1 * | 3.4 |
| With children, no elderly or disabled | 66.2 | 7.5 * | 8.7 | 8.0 * | 3.6 * | 2.8 * | 3.2 |
| Other households | 62.2 | 7.7 * | 10.8 | 8.9 * | 3.9 * | 2.6 * | 3.8 * |
| Household size | | | | | | | |
| 1 | 64.2 | 8.8 | 10.5 | 6.8 | 2.6 | 3.6 | 3.5 |
| 2 | 66.4 | 8.4 | 8.6 * | 6.3 | 3.0 | 4.0 | 3.3 |
| 3 | 65.7 | 7.7 * | 9.2 | 8.0 * | 3.5 * | 2.8 * | 3.1 |
| 4+ | 64.7 | 8.1 | 8.8 * | 8.3 * | 4.0 * | 3.0 | 3.3 |
| Race of household head | | | | | | | |
| White | 71.3 | 7.8 | 4.6 | 6.4 | 3.9 | 2.4 | 3.6 |
| African American | 60.3 * | 8.1 | 12.9 * | 8.6 * | 3.0 * | 3.8 * | 3.3 |
| Hispanic | 63.5 * | 8.5 | 12.7 * | 7.9 * | 2.1 * | 3.1 * | 2.3 * |
| Other | 55.5 * | 11.5 * | 8.6 * | 7.2 | 5.8 * | 6.6 * | 4.8 * |
| Employment status | | | | | | | |
| Households with earnings | 68.9 | 8.0 | 7.0 | 7.2 | 2.8 | 2.9 | 3.2 |
| Households without earnings | 63.3 * | 8.4 | 10.4 * | 7.6 | 3.5 * | 3.5 * | 3.4 |
| Receipt of TANF | | | | | | | |
| Yes | 60.4 | 7.7 | 11.6 | 9.7 | 4.3 | 3.0 | 3.3 |
| No | 66.3 * | 8.4 | 8.7 * | 6.8 * | 3.0 * | 3.4 * | 3.3 |
| Food stamp benefit | | | | | | | |
| \$10 or less | 72.8 | 9.0 | 6.7 | 4.5 | 1.5 | 2.7 | 2.7 |
| \$11-100 | 72.5 | 8.6 | 5.9 | 5.1 | 2.2 | 2.3 | 3.4 |
| \$101-200 | 63.2 * | 8.8 | 11.3 * | 6.9 * | 2.7 * | 3.8 | 3.3 |
| \$201-300 | 65.9 * | 8.1 | 8.1 | 7.5 * | 3.6 * | 3.6 | 3.2 |
| \$301 or more | 63.6 * | 7.9 | 9.6 * | 8.6 * | 3.9 * | 3.1 | 3.4 |
| Minimum benefit | 72.8 | 9.1 | 6.6 | 4.5 | 1.5 | 2.7 | 2.8 |
| Maximum benefit | 62.6 * | 8.4 | 10.8 * | 7.4 * | 3.5 * | 3.8 * | 3.5 |
| Months in certification period | | | | | | | |
| ≤ 6 months | 66.5 | 7.6 | 8.6 | 7.9 | 3.7 | 2.8 | 3.0 |
| 7-12 months | 63.8 * | 8.8 * | 10.0 * | 7.0 | 3.1 * | 3.8 * | 3.5 * |
| >12 months | 61.5 * | 11.4 * | 10.4 | 6.1 * | 1.3 * | 4.7 | 4.6 * |

¹ Retailers identify their store type on FNS application forms; 20 store types were collapsed into the 7 categories shown in the table. Retailers identified as supermarkets and small/medium groceries were reclassified based on reported gross sales as supermarkets (over \$2 million), large grocery (\$500k to \$2 million), and small grocery (under \$500k).

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**Table A-3—Distribution of EBT Purchase Transactions by Store Type: FY2003 Matched QC-ALERT Sample
— Continued**

| | Distribution of EBT purchase transactions ¹ | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------------|--|------------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------|-------------------|---------------|
| | Super- markets | Large grocery | Small grocery | Conven- ience | Gas/ grocery | Specialty food | Other type |
| Geographic location | | | | | | | |
| Region | | | | | | | |
| Northeast | 47.6% | 12.4% | 23.6% | 4.6% | 1.2% | 8.2% | 2.5% |
| Mid Atlantic | 59.1 * | 6.4 * | 15.8 * | 6.9 * | 3.4 * | 4.4 * | 4.1 * |
| Midwest | 73.1 * | 8.6 * | 5.3 * | 5.8 * | 3.1 * | 2.4 * | 1.7 * |
| Southeast | 61.2 * | 8.5 * | 10.0 * | 7.6 * | 4.1 * | 2.4 * | 6.2 * |
| Southwest | 68.0 * | 7.0 * | 6.4 * | 11.7 * | 1.8 | 2.8 * | 2.2 |
| Mountain Plains | 71.4 * | 8.6 * | 3.6 * | 6.0 * | 5.9 * | 1.8 * | 2.8 |
| West | 68.7 * | 5.1 * | 4.3 * | 8.6 * | 6.0 * | 1.9 * | 5.5 * |
| Metro/Nonmetro areas | | | | | | | |
| Metropolitan | 64.1 | 7.3 | 10.8 | 7.8 | 2.7 | 3.9 | 3.4 |
| Nonmetro, micropolitan | 70.6 * | 8.7 * | 4.3 * | 6.9 | 4.7 * | 2.0 * | 2.8 * |
| Nonmetro, noncore | 66.1 | 14.6 * | 4.6 * | 5.6 * | 5.8 * | 1.0 * | 2.3 * |
| County with peristent poverty | | | | | | | |
| Yes | 61.6 | 10.8 | 7.9 | 9.4 | 4.5 | 3.2 | 2.5 |
| No | 65.6 * | 7.9 * | 9.5 * | 7.2 * | 3.1 * | 3.4 | 3.4 * |

¹ Retailers identify their store type on FNS application forms; 20 store types were collapsed into the 7 categories shown in the table. Retailers identified as supermarkets and small/medium groceries were reclassified based on reported gross sales as supermarkets (over \$2 million), large grocery (\$500k to \$2 million), and small grocery (under \$500k).

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Table A-4—Distribution of EBT Benefit Redemption by Store Type: FY2003 Matched QC-ALERT Sample

| | Distribution of the dollar value of EBT redemption ¹ | | | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|---|------------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------|-------------------|---------------|
| | Super- markets | Large grocery | Small grocery | Conven- ience | Gas/ grocery | Specialty food | Other type |
| All households | 82.1% | 6.1% | 4.1% | 1.8% | 0.9% | 2.4% | 2.5% |
| Household type | | | | | | | |
| With and without children | | | | | | | |
| Households with children | 83.1 | 5.8 | 3.8 | 1.8 | 0.9 | 2.2 | 2.4 |
| Households without children | 78.7 * | 7.3 * | 5.2 * | 2.0 * | 0.8 | 2.8 * | 3.1 * |
| Types of households with children | | | | | | | |
| Single-adult households | 84.0 | 5.2 | 3.7 | 1.9 | 0.9 | 2.2 | 2.1 |
| Multiple-adult households | 82.2 * | 6.5 * | 3.6 | 1.6 | 0.9 | 2.2 | 2.9 * |
| Children only | 79.4 * | 7.4 * | 6.0 * | 1.8 | 0.5 * | 2.8 | 2.1 |
| All households, by type | | | | | | | |
| With elderly | 78.7 | 9.0 | 5.1 | 1.0 | 0.3 | 3.5 | 2.4 |
| With disabled, nonelderly | 80.3 | 6.7 * | 4.7 | 2.0 * | 1.0 * | 2.7 | 2.6 |
| With children, no elderly or disabled | 83.6 * | 5.6 * | 3.7 * | 1.8 * | 0.8 * | 2.2 * | 2.4 |
| Other households | 78.7 | 6.2 * | 5.2 | 2.8 * | 1.2 * | 2.4 * | 3.7 * |
| Household size | | | | | | | |
| 1 | 78.5 | 7.0 | 5.5 | 2.2 | 0.8 | 2.7 | 3.3 |
| 2 | 83.3 * | 5.9 * | 3.6 * | 1.6 * | 0.8 | 2.4 | 2.3 * |
| 3 | 83.4 * | 5.6 * | 4.0 * | 1.9 | 0.8 | 2.1 * | 2.2 * |
| 4+ | 82.7 * | 6.1 * | 3.7 * | 1.8 * | 0.9 | 2.4 | 2.5 * |
| Race of household head | | | | | | | |
| White | 85.6 | 5.6 | 2.0 | 1.6 | 1.0 | 1.3 | 2.9 |
| African American | 80.2 * | 5.9 | 5.3 * | 2.1 * | 0.7 * | 3.4 * | 2.4 * |
| Hispanic | 81.5 * | 6.6 * | 5.8 * | 2.0 * | 0.6 * | 2.1 * | 1.5 * |
| Other | 69.3 * | 10.5 * | 6.3 * | 2.5 * | 2.2 * | 4.6 * | 4.6 * |
| Employment status | | | | | | | |
| Households with earnings | 84.0 | 6.0 | 3.1 | 1.6 | 0.7 | 2.1 | 2.4 |
| Households without earnings | 81.1 * | 6.2 | 4.7 * | 2.0 * | 1.0 * | 2.5 * | 2.6 |
| Receipt of TANF | | | | | | | |
| Yes | 81.6 | 5.6 | 4.8 | 2.4 | 1.0 | 2.5 | 2.2 |
| No | 82.3 | 6.2 * | 3.9 * | 1.7 * | 0.8 * | 2.4 | 2.6 * |
| Food stamp benefit | | | | | | | |
| \$10 or less | 79.8 | 7.9 | 4.6 | 2.3 | 0.8 | 2.4 | 2.3 |
| \$11-100 | 83.3 | 6.9 | 2.9 | 1.6 | 0.7 | 1.6 | 2.9 |
| \$101-200 | 80.1 | 6.7 | 5.2 | 2.0 | 0.7 | 2.6 | 2.8 |
| \$201-300 | 83.3 | 5.9 * | 3.4 | 1.8 | 0.9 | 2.4 | 2.2 |
| \$301 or more | 82.4 | 5.8 * | 4.1 | 1.8 | 0.9 | 2.4 | 2.5 |
| Minimum benefit | 79.8 | 8.0 | 4.5 | 2.2 | 0.8 | 2.4 | 2.3 |
| Maximum benefit | 81.0 | 5.9 * | 5.0 | 1.8 | 1.0 | 2.4 | 2.8 |
| Months in certification period | | | | | | | |
| ≤ 6 months | 83.5 | 5.6 | 3.6 | 1.9 | 0.9 | 2.1 | 2.4 |
| 7-12 months | 80.9 * | 6.6 * | 4.7 * | 1.8 | 0.8 | 2.7 * | 2.5 |
| >12 months | 76.1 * | 8.6 * | 5.7 * | 1.9 | 0.4 * | 3.3 * | 4.1 * |

¹ Retailers identify their store type on FNS application forms; 20 store types were collapsed into the 7 categories shown in the table. Retailers identified as supermarkets and small/medium groceries were reclassified based on reported gross sales as supermarkets (over \$2 million), large grocery (\$500k to \$2 million), and small grocery (under \$500k).

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Table A-4—Distribution of EBT Benefit Redemption by Store Type: FY2003 Matched QC-ALERT Sample
— Continued

| | Distribution of the dollar value of EBT redemption ¹ | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------------|---|------------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------|-------------------|---------------|
| | Super- markets | Large grocery | Small grocery | Conven- ience | Gas/ grocery | Specialty food | Other type |
| Geographic location | | | | | | | |
| Region | | | | | | | |
| Northeast | 68.4% | 9.7% | 12.8% | 1.8% | 0.4% | 5.0% | 1.9% |
| Mid Atlantic | 80.2 * | 4.7 * | 5.6 * | 1.8 | 0.9 * | 4.2 | 2.7 * |
| Midwest | 85.7 * | 6.6 * | 2.4 * | 1.4 * | 0.8 * | 1.9 * | 1.2 * |
| Southeast | 78.2 * | 6.3 * | 4.7 * | 2.0 | 1.0 * | 2.6 * | 5.2 * |
| Southwest | 86.8 * | 4.9 * | 2.2 * | 2.5 * | 0.5 | 1.7 * | 1.5 |
| Mountain Plains | 85.6 * | 6.2 * | 1.6 * | 1.4 | 1.4 * | 1.3 * | 2.4 |
| West | 85.0 * | 3.6 * | 2.0 * | 2.1 | 1.7 * | 1.1 * | 4.5 * |
| Metro/Nonmetro areas | | | | | | | |
| Metropolitan | 82.0 | 5.3 | 4.7 | 1.9 | 0.6 | 2.8 | 2.6 |
| Nonmetro, micropolitan | 85.4 * | 6.1 | 2.1 * | 1.6 | 1.3 * | 1.3 * | 2.2 |
| Nonmetro, noncore | 80.4 | 11.5 * | 2.3 * | 1.4 * | 1.8 * | 0.8 * | 1.8 * |
| County with peristent poverty | | | | | | | |
| Yes | 81.5 | 7.9 | 3.2 | 2.4 | 1.4 | 2.0 | 1.5 |
| No | 82.3 | 5.8 * | 4.2 * | 1.8 * | 0.8 * | 2.4 * | 2.6 * |

¹ Retailers identify their store type on FNS application forms; 20 store types were collapsed into the 7 categories shown in the table. Retailers identified as supermarkets and small/medium groceries were reclassified based on reported gross sales as supermarkets (over \$2 million), large grocery (\$500k to \$2 million), and small grocery (under \$500k).

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**Table A-5—Average Monthly Number of EBT Purchase Transactions Per Household, Total and By Store Type:
FY2003 Matched QC-ALERT Sample**

| | Average monthly number of transactions per household | | | | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|--|-------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------|-------------------|---------------|
| | Total | By store type | | | | | | |
| | | Super- markets | Large grocery | Small grocery | Conven- ience | Gas/ grocery | Specialty food | Other type |
| All households | 7.6 | 4.9 | 0.6 | 0.7 | 0.6 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.3 |
| Household type | | | | | | | | |
| With and without children | | | | | | | | |
| Households with children | 9.7 | 6.3 | 0.8 | 0.9 | 0.8 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.3 |
| Households without children | 5.2* | 3.3* | 0.5* | 0.5* | 0.4* | 0.1* | 0.2* | 0.2* |
| Types of households with children | | | | | | | | |
| Single-adult households | 9.4 | 6.0 | 0.7 | 0.9 | 0.8 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.3 |
| Multiple-adult households | 10.8* | 7.2* | 0.9* | 0.8 | 0.8 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.4* |
| Children only | 8.3* | 5.1* | 0.8 | 1.0 | 0.6* | 0.2* | 0.4 | 0.2 |
| All households, by type | | | | | | | | |
| With elderly | 4.6 | 3.0 | 0.6 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.1 |
| With disabled, nonelderly | 6.1* | 3.8* | 0.5 | 0.6* | 0.5* | 0.2* | 0.2* | 0.2* |
| With children, no elderly or disabled | 10.0* | 6.5* | 0.8* | 0.9* | 0.8* | 0.4* | 0.3 | 0.3* |
| Other households | 7.1* | 4.4* | 0.6 | 0.8* | 0.7* | 0.3* | 0.2* | 0.3* |
| Household size | | | | | | | | |
| 1 | 5.0 | 3.2 | 0.4 | 0.5 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.2 |
| 2 | 7.3* | 4.8* | 0.6* | 0.6* | 0.5* | 0.2* | 0.3* | 0.2* |
| 3 | 9.5* | 6.1* | 0.7* | 0.9* | 0.8* | 0.4* | 0.3* | 0.3* |
| 4+ | 11.7* | 7.5* | 1.0* | 1.0* | 1.0* | 0.5* | 0.4* | 0.4* |
| Race of household head | | | | | | | | |
| White | 6.9 | 4.9 | 0.6 | 0.3 | 0.5 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.2 |
| African American | 8.1* | 4.8 | 0.7* | 1.1* | 0.7* | 0.3 | 0.3* | 0.3 |
| Hispanic | 8.2* | 5.2* | 0.7* | 1.1* | 0.7* | 0.2* | 0.3* | 0.2* |
| Other | 9.5* | 5.2* | 1.1* | 0.8* | 0.7* | 0.6* | 0.6* | 0.4* |
| Employment status | | | | | | | | |
| Households with earnings | 8.6 | 5.8 | 0.7 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.3 |
| Households without earnings | 7.2* | 4.5* | 0.6* | 0.8* | 0.6* | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.2* |
| Receipt of TANF | | | | | | | | |
| Yes | 10.2 | 6.0 | 0.8 | 1.2 | 1.0 | 0.5 | 0.3 | 0.4 |
| No | 7.2* | 4.7* | 0.6* | 0.6* | 0.5* | 0.2* | 0.2* | 0.2* |
| Food stamp benefit | | | | | | | | |
| \$10 or less | 1.6 | 1.2 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| \$11-100 | 3.5* | 2.5* | 0.3* | 0.2* | 0.2* | 0.1* | 0.1* | 0.1* |
| \$101-200 | 7.0* | 4.3* | 0.6* | 0.8* | 0.5* | 0.2* | 0.3* | 0.2* |
| \$201-300 | 9.4* | 6.1* | 0.8* | 0.8* | 0.7* | 0.4* | 0.3* | 0.3* |
| \$301 or more | 13.1* | 8.2* | 1.0* | 1.3* | 1.2* | 0.5* | 0.4* | 0.4* |
| Minimum benefit | 1.6 | 1.2 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Maximum benefit | 9.2* | 5.7* | 0.8* | 1.0* | 0.7* | 0.3* | 0.4* | 0.3* |
| Months in certification period | | | | | | | | |
| ≤ 6 months | 8.9 | 5.9 | 0.7 | 0.8 | 0.7 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.3 |
| 7-12 months | 6.9* | 4.4* | 0.6 | 0.7 | 0.5* | 0.2* | 0.3 | 0.2 |
| >12 months | 4.7* | 2.8* | 0.6* | 0.5* | 0.3* | 0.1* | 0.2 | 0.2* |

* Denotes statistically significant difference in means and proportions (.05 level). Comparisons are made within table columns, relative to the first row in each subgroup category. The Bonferroni adjustment was used to control for multiplicity in the number of tests when household subgroups contain more than two categories.

Source: USDA, Fiscal Year 2003 Food Stamp Program Quality Control data and ALERT data. Matched sample excludes the following States: California, Delaware, Guam, Iowa, New Mexico, Ohio, and Pennsylvania. Household-level EBT statistics are calculated as average monthly statistics over the three months centered on the QC sample month. See Table 7 for sample sizes.

**Table A-5—Average Monthly Number of EBT Purchase Transactions Per Household, Total and By Store Type:
FY2003 Matched QC-ALERT Sample
— Continued**

| | Average monthly number of transactions per household | | | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|--|-------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------|-------------------|---------------|
| | Total | By store type | | | | | | |
| | | Super- markets | Large grocery | Small grocery | Conven- ience | Gas/ grocery | Specialty food | Other type |
| Geographic location | | | | | | | | |
| Region | | | | | | | | |
| Northeast | 8.2 | 3.8 | 1.0 | 2.0 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 0.7 | 0.2 |
| Mid Atlantic | 7.1* | 4.1 | 0.4* | 1.2* | 0.5* | 0.2* | 0.3* | 0.3* |
| Midwest | 6.9* | 5.0* | 0.6* | 0.4* | 0.4 | 0.2* | 0.2* | 0.1* |
| Southeast | 7.5* | 4.5* | 0.6* | 0.8* | 0.6* | 0.3* | 0.2* | 0.5* |
| Southwest | 8.4 | 5.6* | 0.6* | 0.6* | 1.0* | 0.2 | 0.2* | 0.2 |
| Mountain Plains | 7.2* | 5.1* | 0.6* | 0.3* | 0.5 | 0.4* | 0.1* | 0.2 |
| West | 8.6 | 5.8* | 0.4* | 0.4* | 0.8* | 0.5* | 0.2* | 0.5* |
| Metro/Nonmetro areas | | | | | | | | |
| Metropolitan | 7.8 | 4.9 | 0.6 | 0.9 | 0.6 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.3 |
| Nonmetro, micropolitan | 7.3* | 5.1 | 0.6 | 0.3* | 0.5* | 0.4* | 0.2* | 0.2* |
| Nonmetro, noncore | 7.0* | 4.6* | 1.0* | 0.3* | 0.4* | 0.4* | 0.1* | 0.2* |
| County with peristent poverty | | | | | | | | |
| Yes | 8.2 | 4.9 | 0.9 | 0.7 | 0.8 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.2 |
| No | 7.6* | 4.9 | 0.6* | 0.7 | 0.6* | 0.2* | 0.2 | 0.3* |

* Denotes statistically significant difference in means and proportions (.05 level). Comparisons are made within table columns, relative to the first row in each subgroup category. The Bonferroni adjustment was used to control for multiplicity in the number of tests when household subgroups contain more than two categories.

Source: USDA, Fiscal Year 2003 Food Stamp Program Quality Control data and ALERT data. Matched sample excludes the following States: California, Delaware, Guam, Iowa, New Mexico, Ohio, and Pennsylvania. Household-level EBT statistics are calculated as average monthly statistics over the three months centered on the QC sample month. See Table 7 for sample sizes.

Table A-6—Average EBT Purchase Amount per Transaction, Overall and By Store Type: FY2003 Matched QC-ALERT Sample

| | Average EBT purchase amount | | | | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------|-------------------|---------------|
| | Overall | By store type | | | | | | |
| | | Super- markets | Large grocery | Small grocery | Conven- ience | Gas/ grocery | Specialty food | Other type |
| All households | \$27.90 | \$35.45 | \$19.48 | \$11.65 | \$6.04 | \$6.28 | \$19.05 | \$19.46 |
| Household type | | | | | | | | |
| With and without children | | | | | | | | |
| Households with children | 31.53 | 40.29 | 22.04 | 12.73 | 6.20 | 6.58 | 23.37 | 21.20 |
| Households without children | 20.07* | 24.75* | 14.84* | 9.57* | 5.59* | 5.39* | 12.64* | 16.05* |
| Types of households with children | | | | | | | | |
| Single-adult households | 31.65 | 41.07 | 21.20 | 11.70 | 6.03 | 6.37 | 23.66 | 19.48 |
| Multiple-adult households | 31.75 | 39.25* | 23.62 | 14.74* | 6.45 | 7.04 | 24.72 | 24.32 |
| Children only | 29.36* | 37.74* | 21.72 | 14.60 | 7.19 | 6.60 | 17.70* | 20.81 |
| All households, by type | | | | | | | | |
| With elderly | 19.16 | 23.10 | 13.52 | 10.15 | 6.74 | 7.20 | 9.32 | 14.08 |
| With disabled, nonelderly | 25.83* | 32.75* | 18.89* | 10.97 | 5.70 | 6.05 | 20.93* | 17.35* |
| With children, no elderly or disabled | 31.85* | 40.54* | 22.49* | 12.90* | 6.19 | 6.61 | 23.36* | 21.53* |
| Other households | 21.39* | 27.26* | 15.97* | 9.33 | 5.72 | 5.10* | 18.02* | 18.39* |
| Household size | | | | | | | | |
| 1 | 19.91 | 24.47 | 14.75 | 9.57 | 5.55 | 5.06 | 14.04 | 16.70 |
| 2 | 26.78* | 33.87* | 17.60* | 10.43 | 5.85 | 6.57* | 15.33 | 16.20 |
| 3 | 30.56* | 38.93* | 20.74* | 12.83* | 6.34 | 6.14* | 21.93* | 19.34 |
| 4+ | 33.69* | 43.43* | 24.32* | 13.72* | 6.28* | 6.94* | 25.48* | 24.06* |
| Race of household head | | | | | | | | |
| White | 27.70 | 33.50 | 18.78 | 11.54 | 5.94 | 6.33 | 14.21 | 20.50 |
| African American | 28.55* | 38.14* | 19.37 | 10.95 | 5.87 | 5.53* | 24.14* | 18.22 |
| Hispanic | 27.91 | 36.31* | 20.70 | 11.77 | 6.15 | 6.79 | 17.79 | 16.59* |
| Other | 26.18* | 33.08 | 23.44* | 19.01* | 8.15* | 8.92* | 17.54 | 24.43 |
| Employment status | | | | | | | | |
| Households with earnings | 29.82 | 36.62 | 21.37 | 12.63 | 5.96 | 6.21 | 21.25 | 20.55 |
| Households without earnings | 26.98* | 34.84* | 18.62* | 11.33 | 6.07 | 6.31 | 18.20* | 18.97 |
| Receipt of TANF | | | | | | | | |
| Yes | 31.00 | 42.17 | 21.18 | 11.98 | 6.39 | 6.36 | 24.29 | 18.00 |
| No | 27.12* | 33.92* | 19.09* | 11.54 | 5.91* | 6.26 | 17.90* | 19.83 |
| Food stamp benefit | | | | | | | | |
| \$10 or less | 8.84 | 9.75 | 7.31 | 5.56 | 4.22 | 4.15 | 7.66 | 7.24 |
| \$11-100 | 19.16* | 22.06* | 14.23* | 8.16* | 4.99 | 5.13 | 12.28* | 14.85* |
| \$101-200 | 23.10* | 29.45* | 16.27* | 9.62* | 5.49* | 5.09 | 14.40* | 17.38* |
| \$201-300 | 29.34* | 37.27* | 20.18* | 11.51* | 6.10* | 6.37* | 18.83* | 18.07* |
| \$301 or more | 33.94* | 44.37* | 23.98* | 14.42* | 6.57* | 7.10* | 25.58* | 23.66* |
| Minimum benefit | 8.85 | 9.75 | 7.31 | 5.57 | 4.23 | 4.15 | 7.66 | 7.24 |
| Maximum benefit | 27.25* | 35.51* | 18.23* | 12.01* | 5.95* | 6.54* | 16.95* | 19.83* |
| Months in certification period | | | | | | | | |
| ≤ 6 months | 29.99 | 37.98 | 21.03 | 11.67 | 6.20 | 6.53 | 21.57 | 21.30 |
| 7-12 months | 26.29* | 33.46* | 18.80* | 11.93 | 5.88 | 5.96 | 17.61* | 17.32* |
| >12 months | 20.41* | 25.36* | 14.19* | 10.06 | 5.45 | 5.33 | 13.36* | 16.54* |

* Denotes statistically significant difference in means and proportions (.05 level). Comparisons are made within table columns, relative to the first row in each subgroup category. The Bonferroni adjustment was used to control for multiplicity in the number of tests when household subgroups contain more than two categories.

† Denotes individual estimates not meeting the standards of reliability or precision due to inadequate cell size or large coefficient of variation.

Source: USDA, Fiscal Year 2003 Food Stamp Program Quality Control data and ALERT data. Matched sample excludes the following States: California, Delaware, Guam, Iowa, New Mexico, Ohio, and Pennsylvania. Household-level EBT statistics are calculated as average monthly statistics over the three months centered on the QC sample month. See Table 7 for sample sizes.

Table A-6—Average EBT Purchase Amount per Transaction, Overall and By Store Type: FY2003 Matched QC-ALERT Sample
— Continued

| | Average EBT purchase amount | | | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------|-------------------|---------------|
| | Overall | By store type | | | | | | |
| | | Super- markets | Large grocery | Small grocery | Conven- ience | Gas/ grocery | Specialty food | Other type |
| | | | | | | | | |
| Geographic location | | | | | | | | |
| Region | | | | | | | | |
| Northeast | \$24.16 | \$35.00 | \$17.95 | \$12.59 | \$8.22 | \$6.08 | \$14.27 | \$16.24 |
| Mid Atlantic | 27.86* | 38.14* | 19.08 | 8.88* | 6.09* | 6.02 | 25.80* | 16.30 |
| Midwest | 29.78* | 35.14 | 21.74* | 12.65 | 6.09* | 7.17 | 21.70* | 20.23 |
| Southeast | 28.65* | 36.62 | 19.57 | 12.98 | 6.95 | 5.41 | 30.39* | 21.38* |
| Southwest | 28.43* | 36.67 | 18.45 | 8.96* | 5.14* | 6.41 | 15.76 | 17.89 |
| Mountain Plains | 28.69* | 34.66 | 19.85 | 11.94 | 5.92* | 6.02 | 18.48* | 22.23* |
| West | 25.58 | 31.93* | 17.23 | 11.16 | 5.41* | 6.35 | 13.85 | 19.27 |
| | | | | | | | | |
| Metro/Nonmetro areas | | | | | | | | |
| Metropolitan | 27.83 | 35.81 | 19.00 | 11.45 | 6.01 | 5.55 | 19.15 | 18.85 |
| Nonmetro, micropolitan | 28.12 | 34.37* | 18.84 | 12.81 | 5.84 | 6.96* | 17.57 | 21.12 |
| Nonmetro, noncore | 27.93 | 34.36* | 21.25* | 12.75 | 6.41 | 7.75* | 20.00 | 19.55 |
| | | | | | | | | |
| County with peristent poverty | | | | | | | | |
| Yes | 26.84 | 36.00 | 18.62 | 10.10 | 6.05 | 7.50 | 15.18 | 15.11 |
| No | 28.02* | 35.39 | 19.53 | 11.76* | 6.02 | 5.95* | 19.57* | 19.56* |

* Denotes statistically significant difference in means and proportions (.05 level). Comparisons are made within table columns, relative to the first row in each subgroup category. The Bonferroni adjustment was used to control for multiplicity in the number of tests when household subgroups contain more than two categories.

Source: USDA, Fiscal Year 2003 Food Stamp Program Quality Control data and ALERT data. Matched sample excludes the following States: California, Delaware, Guam, Iowa, New Mexico, Ohio, and Pennsylvania. Household-level EBT statistics are calculated as average monthly statistics over the three months centered on the QC sample month. See Table 7 for sample sizes.

Table A-7—Average Number of Stores Accessed Per Household Per Month, and Distribution of Households by Number of Stores: FY2003 Matched QC-ALERT Sample

| | Avg monthly number of stores per household | Number of stores per household per month | | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|--|--|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------------|
| | | One | Two | Three | Four | Five | Six or more |
| | | <i>Percent of households</i> | | | | | |
| All households | 3.3 | 18.7% | 23.3% | 19.7% | 14.5% | 9.5% | 14.2% |
| Household type | | | | | | | |
| With and without children | | | | | | | |
| Households with children | 4.0 | 6.9 | 18.0 | 21.0 | 19.1 | 13.6 | 21.4 |
| Households without children | 2.5* | 32.4 * | 29.5 * | 18.1 * | 9.3 * | 4.8 * | 6.0 * |
| Types of households with children | | | | | | | |
| Single-adult households | 4.1 | 6.9 | 17.4 | 21.3 | 18.6 | 14.0 | 22.0 |
| Multiple-adult households | 4.1 | 6.0 | 17.6 | 20.8 | 20.7 | 13.3 | 21.6 |
| Children only | 3.6* | 9.6 | 24.8 * | 19.9 | 18.0 | 11.8 | 15.8 * |
| All households, by type | | | | | | | |
| With elderly | 2.2 | 44.0 | 28.3 | 13.6 | 6.1 | 2.8 | 5.1 |
| With disabled, nonelderly | 2.8* | 25.6 * | 27.6 | 19.3 * | 11.7 * | 6.6 * | 9.2 * |
| With children, no elderly or disabled | 4.1* | 6.1 * | 17.2 * | 20.9 * | 19.3 * | 14.0 * | 22.4 * |
| Other households | 3.2* | 11.6 * | 27.9 | 24.8 * | 16.0 * | 9.7 * | 9.9 * |
| Household size | | | | | | | |
| 1 | 2.5 | 32.7 | 30.0 | 18.0 | 9.2 | 4.6 | 5.6 |
| 2 | 3.4* | 15.0 * | 24.2 * | 22.0 * | 16.1 * | 10.2 * | 12.4 * |
| 3 | 4.0* | 6.4 * | 17.7 * | 22.1 * | 19.7 * | 14.1 * | 20.0 * |
| 4+ | 4.6* | 4.0 * | 13.6 * | 19.0 | 19.6 * | 15.1 * | 28.8 * |
| Race of household head | | | | | | | |
| White | 2.9 | 24.5 | 27.1 | 19.9 | 12.8 | 7.3 | 8.4 |
| African American | 3.8* | 12.6 * | 19.3 * | 19.6 | 16.2 * | 12.1 * | 20.1 * |
| Hispanic | 3.5* | 15.8 * | 22.2 * | 19.4 | 16.0 * | 10.2 * | 16.3 * |
| Other | 4.0* | 14.2 * | 18.8 * | 19.0 | 14.8 | 10.3 * | 22.8 * |
| Employment status | | | | | | | |
| Households with earnings | 3.6 | 11.0 | 21.9 | 22.5 | 17.6 | 11.4 | 15.7 |
| Households without earnings | 3.2* | 21.8 * | 23.9 * | 18.6 * | 13.3 * | 8.8 * | 13.7 * |
| Receipt of TANF | | | | | | | |
| Yes | 4.3 | 5.7 | 15.5 | 19.4 | 18.9 | 14.9 | 25.6 |
| No | 3.2* | 21.0 * | 24.7 * | 19.7 | 13.8 * | 8.6 * | 12.2 * |
| Food stamp benefit | | | | | | | |
| \$10 or less | 1.2 | 79.9 | 17.2 | 2.2 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| \$11-100 | 2.0* | 40.1 * | 35.5 * | 15.9 * | 5.2 * | 1.7 * | 1.6 * |
| \$101-200 | 3.2* | 12.2 * | 28.1 * | 25.7 * | 16.1 * | 8.8 * | 9.2 * |
| \$201-300 | 4.0* | 4.3 * | 17.5 | 23.4 * | 21.3 * | 14.9 * | 18.7 * |
| \$301 or more | 5.0* | 2.0 * | 8.9 * | 16.2 * | 20.3 * | 17.1 * | 35.5 * |
| Minimum benefit | 1.2 | 79.8 | 17.3 | 2.2 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Maximum benefit | 3.9* | 8.4 * | 20.8 * | 21.9 * | 17.7 * | 12.3 * | 18.9 * |
| Months in certification period | | | | | | | |
| ≤ 6 months | 3.8 | 8.9 | 21.1 | 22.0 | 17.8 | 12.0 | 18.2 |
| 7-12 months | 3.1* | 24.7 * | 23.7 * | 18.5 * | 13.1 * | 8.1 * | 12.0 * |
| >12 months | 2.4* | 36.9 * | 31.7 * | 14.6 * | 6.4 * | 4.2 * | 6.2 * |

* Denotes statistically significant difference in means and proportions (.05 level). Comparisons are made within table columns, relative to the first row in each subgroup category. The Bonferroni adjustment was used to control for multiplicity in the number of tests when household subgroups contain more than two categories.

† Denotes individual estimates not meeting the standards of reliability or precision due to inadequate cell size or large coefficient of variation.

Source: USDA, Fiscal Year 2003 Food Stamp Program Quality Control data and ALERT data. Matched sample excludes the following States: California, Delaware, Guam, Iowa, New Mexico, Ohio, and Pennsylvania. Household-level EBT statistics are calculated as average monthly statistics over the three months centered on the QC sample month. See Table 7 for sample sizes.

Table A-7—Average Number of Stores Accessed Per Household Per Month, and Distribution of Households by Number of Stores: FY2003 Matched QC-ALERT Sample
— Continued

| | | Number of stores per household per month | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|------|--|--------|-------|--------|--------|-------------|
| | | One | Two | Three | Four | Five | Six or more |
| | | Percent of households | | | | | |
| Geographic location | | | | | | | |
| Region | | | | | | | |
| Northeast | 3.6 | 20.5% | 21.5% | 17.9% | 14.2% | 8.4% | 17.3% |
| Mid Atlantic | 3.2* | 23.0 | 22.9 | 19.6 | 13.4 | 8.3 | 12.8 * |
| Midwest | 3.1* | 20.1 | 24.0 | 20.2 | 15.2 | 9.4 | 11.1 * |
| Southeast | 3.4 | 17.4 * | 24.5 | 19.6 | 14.0 | 9.9 | 14.8 |
| Southwest | 3.6 | 15.3 * | 22.8 | 19.8 | 13.9 | 11.0 * | 17.2 |
| Mountain Plains | 3.1* | 21.4 | 25.2 * | 20.4 | 14.2 | 7.2 | 11.6 * |
| West | 3.6 | 15.1 * | 21.4 | 20.1 | 16.3 | 10.5 | 16.5 |
| Metro/Nonmetro areas | | | | | | | |
| Metropolitan | 3.5 | 17.4 | 22.1 | 19.2 | 15.0 | 10.0 | 16.3 |
| Nonmetro, micropolitan | 3.0* | 21.2 * | 25.5 * | 21.0 | 13.9 | 9.0 | 9.4 * |
| Nonmetro, noncore | 2.7* | 24.4 * | 28.4 * | 20.9 | 12.6 * | 7.0 * | 6.6 * |
| County with peristent poverty | | | | | | | |
| Yes | 3.5 | 16.5 | 22.7 | 19.9 | 14.1 | 10.4 | 16.4 |
| No | 3.3* | 19.0 * | 23.4 | 19.6 | 14.6 | 9.4 | 14.0 * |

* Denotes statistically significant difference in means and proportions (.05 level). Comparisons are made within table columns, relative to the first row in each subgroup category. The Bonferroni adjustment was used to control for multiplicity in the number of tests when household subgroups contain more than two categories.

Source: USDA, Fiscal Year 2003 Food Stamp Program Quality Control data and ALERT data. Matched sample excludes the following States: California, Delaware, Guam, Iowa, New Mexico, Ohio, and Pennsylvania. Household-level EBT statistics are calculated as average monthly statistics over the three months centered on the QC sample month. See Table 7 for sample sizes.

Table A-8—Percent of Households Shopping Exclusively at Different Store Types: FY2003 Matched QC-ALERT Sample

| | Percent of households shopping exclusively at | | | Percent never shopping at supermarkets |
|---------------------------------------|---|-----------------------------|--------------------|--|
| | Supermarkets | Grocery stores ¹ | Convenience stores | |
| All households | 46.9% | 2.8% | 0.3% | 5.4% |
| Household type | | | | |
| With and without children | | | | |
| Households with children | 38.4 | 1.3 | 0.1 | 2.4 |
| Households without children | 56.8 * | 4.6 * | 0.5 * | 8.8 * |
| Types of households with children | | | | |
| Single-adult households | 38.8 | 1.2 | 0.1 | 2.2 |
| Multiple-adult households | 37.6 | 1.2 | 0.1 | 2.4 |
| Children only | 38.1 | 2.3 | 0.0 | 3.9 |
| All households, by type | | | | |
| With elderly | 65.7 | 5.6 | 0.3 | 8.8 |
| With disabled, nonelderly | 49.8 * | 3.9 * | 0.6 | 7.5 |
| With children, no elderly or disabled | 38.3 * | 1.0 * | 0.1 * | 2.1 * |
| Other households | 43.3 * | 2.8 * | 0.4 | 7.0 * |
| Household size | | | | |
| 1 | 56.9 | 4.6 | 0.6 | 8.9 |
| 2 | 47.4 * | 2.5 * | 0.2 * | 4.2 * |
| 3 | 38.8 * | 1.3 * | 0.2 * | 2.3 * |
| 4+ | 33.0 * | 0.9 * | 0.1 * | 1.8 * |
| Race of household head | | | | |
| White | 58.0 | 2.5 | 0.3 | 4.9 |
| African American | 36.3 * | 2.8 | 0.3 | 5.9 * |
| Hispanic | 41.6 * | 3.3 | 0.3 | 4.8 |
| Other | 31.4 * | 5.2 * | 0.1 * | 8.1 * |
| Employment status | | | | |
| Households with earnings | 44.5 | 1.7 | 0.2 | 3.5 |
| Households without earnings | 47.9 * | 3.3 * | 0.4 * | 6.1 * |
| Receipt of TANF | | | | |
| Yes | 32.0 | 1.2 | 0.1 | 2.5 |
| No | 49.6 * | 3.1 * | 0.3 * | 5.9 * |
| Food stamp benefit | | | | |
| \$10 or less | 75.0 | 9.6 | 1.7 | 16.8 |
| \$11-100 | 65.6 * | 5.0 * | 0.6 * | 9.0 * |
| \$101-200 | 45.6 * | 2.7 * | 0.2 * | 5.4 * |
| \$201-300 | 38.3 * | 0.9 * | 0.1 * | 2.0 * |
| \$301 or more | 28.5 * | 0.5 * | 0.0 | 1.4 * |
| Minimum benefit | 75.0 | 9.6 | 1.7 | 16.8 |
| Maximum benefit | 38.6 * | 2.0 * | 0.2 * | 4.8 * |
| Months in certification period | | | | |
| ≤ 6 months | 41.4 | 1.5 | 0.2 | 3.4 |
| 7-12 months | 50.2 * | 3.4 * | 0.3 | 6.2 * |
| >12 months | 57.7 * | 6.0 * | 0.6 | 10.3 * |

¹ Grocery stores include large groceries and small/medium grocery stores

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Source: USDA, Fiscal Year 2003 Food Stamp Program Quality Control data and ALERT data. Matched sample excludes the following States: California, Delaware, Guam, Iowa, New Mexico, Ohio, and Pennsylvania. Household-level EBT statistics are calculated as monthly statistics for the QC sample month. See Table 7 for sample sizes.

Table A-8—Percent of Households Shopping Exclusively at Different Store Types: FY2003 Matched QC-ALERT Sample
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| | Percent of households shopping exclusively at | | | Percent never shopping at supermarkets |
|-------------------------------|---|-----------------------------|--------------------|--|
| | Supermarkets | Grocery stores ¹ | Convenience stores | |
| Geographic location | | | | |
| Region | | | | |
| Northeast | 35.9% | 5.0% | 0.3% | 10.2% |
| Mid Atlantic | 47.4 * | 3.5 | 0.2 | 6.4 * |
| Midwest | 52.5 * | 2.6 * | 0.2 | 4.6 * |
| Southeast | 45.8 * | 2.8 * | 0.6 | 6.0 * |
| Southwest | 43.6 * | 2.0 * | 0.2 | 3.3 * |
| Mountain Plains | 52.6 * | 3.3 * | 0.4 | 5.4 * |
| West | 48.0 * | 1.1 * | 0.3 | 2.9 * |
| Metro/Nonmetro areas | | | | |
| Metropolitan | 46.1 | 2.5 | 0.4 | 5.2 |
| Nonmetro, micropolitan | 51.1 * | 2.6 | 0.2 | 4.4 |
| Nonmetro, noncore | 47.4 | 5.3 * | 0.2 | 7.7 * |
| County with peristent poverty | | | | |
| Yes | 37.7 | 3.8 | 0.3 | 6.2 |
| No | 48.1 * | 2.7 * | 0.3 | 5.2 * |

¹ Grocery stores include large groceries and small/medium grocery stores

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0 Denotes individual estimates not meeting the standards of reliability or precision due to inadequate cell size or large coefficient of variation.

Source: USDA, Fiscal Year 2003 Food Stamp Program Quality Control data and ALERT data. Matched sample excludes the following States: California, Delaware, Guam, Iowa, New Mexico, Ohio, and Pennsylvania. Household-level EBT statistics are calculated as monthly statistics for the QC sample month. See Table 7 for sample sizes.

Table A-9—Distribution of Households By Percent of Redemption at Supermarkets: FY2003 Matched QC-ALERT Sample

| | Percent of benefits redeemed at supermarkets | | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|--|-------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| | Zero | 1-25% | 26-50% | 51-75% | 76-99% | 100% |
| <i>Percent of households</i> | | | | | | |
| All households | 5.4% | 2.9% | 5.1% | 10.5% | 28.7% | 46.9% |
| Household type | | | | | | |
| With and without children | | | | | | |
| Households with children | 2.4 | 2.6 | 5.4 | 12.3 | 38.2 | 38.4 |
| Households without children | 8.8 * | 3.4 * | 4.8 * | 8.4 * | 17.7 * | 56.8 * |
| Types of households with children | | | | | | |
| Single-adult households | 2.2 | 2.3 | 5.4 | 12.0 | 38.6 | 38.8 |
| Multiple-adult households | 2.4 | 2.7 | 5.2 | 12.6 | 38.9 | 37.6 |
| Children only | 3.9 | 4.2 | 7.0 | 13.8 | 32.4 * | 38.1 |
| All households, by type | | | | | | |
| With elderly | 8.8 | 2.9 | 4.2 | 6.6 | 11.6 | 65.7 |
| With disabled, nonelderly | 7.5 | 3.3 | 4.9 | 10.7 * | 23.6 * | 49.8 * |
| With children, no elderly or disabled | 2.1 * | 2.4 | 5.4 * | 11.8 * | 39.2 * | 38.3 * |
| Other households | 7.0 * | 4.0 | 5.8 * | 11.4 * | 28.2 * | 43.3 * |
| Household size | | | | | | |
| 1 | 8.9 | 3.3 | 4.8 | 8.6 | 17.4 | 56.9 |
| 2 | 4.2 * | 3.0 | 4.9 | 10.2 * | 29.9 * | 47.4 * |
| 3 | 2.3 * | 2.5 | 5.9 | 11.9 * | 38.1 * | 38.8 * |
| 4+ | 1.8 * | 2.5 * | 5.5 | 13.5 * | 42.9 * | 33.0 * |
| Race of household head | | | | | | |
| White | 4.9 | 2.3 | 3.5 | 7.9 | 23.2 | 58.0 |
| African American | 5.9 * | 3.4 * | 6.6 * | 12.8 * | 34.4 * | 36.3 * |
| Hispanic | 4.8 | 2.7 | 5.3 * | 12.5 * | 32.9 * | 41.6 * |
| Other | 8.1 * | 6.7 * | 11.7 * | 13.6 * | 28.3 * | 31.4 * |
| Employment status | | | | | | |
| Households with earnings | 3.5 | 2.3 | 4.9 | 11.1 | 33.2 | 44.5 |
| Households without earnings | 6.1 * | 3.2 * | 5.2 | 10.3 | 26.9 * | 47.9 * |
| Receipt of TANF | | | | | | |
| Yes | 2.5 | 2.9 | 6.2 | 14.1 | 41.6 | 32.0 |
| No | 5.9 * | 2.9 | 5.0 * | 9.9 * | 26.4 * | 49.6 * |
| Food stamp benefit | | | | | | |
| \$10 or less | 16.8 | 1.2 | 2.1 | 3.4 | 1.5 | 75.0 |
| \$11-100 | 9.0 * | 2.2 * | 3.4 * | 6.7 * | 13.2 * | 65.6 * |
| \$101-200 | 5.4 * | 4.0 * | 5.9 * | 11.3 * | 27.5 * | 45.6 * |
| \$201-300 | 2.0 * | 2.8 * | 6.3 * | 12.4 * | 37.6 * | 38.3 * |
| \$301 or more | 1.4 * | 2.7 * | 5.8 * | 13.8 * | 46.9 * | 28.5 * |
| Minimum benefit | 16.8 | 1.2 | 2.1 | 3.4 | 1.5 | 75.0 |
| Maximum benefit | 4.8 * | 4.2 * | 6.4 * | 11.4 * | 34.2 * | 38.6 * |
| Months in certification period | | | | | | |
| ≤ 6 months | 3.4 | 2.4 | 5.1 | 11.6 | 35.5 | 41.4 |
| 7-12 months | 6.2 * | 3.3 * | 5.2 | 9.8 * | 24.9 * | 50.2 * |
| >12 months | 10.3 * | 3.5 | 5.0 | 8.4 * | 14.9 * | 57.7 * |

* Denotes statistically significant difference in means and proportions (.05 level). Comparisons are made within table columns, relative to the first row in each subgroup category. The Bonferroni adjustment was used to control for multiplicity in the number of tests when household subgroups contain more than two categories.

Source: USDA, Fiscal Year 2003 Food Stamp Program Quality Control data and ALERT data. Matched sample excludes the following States: California, Delaware, Guam, Iowa, New Mexico, Ohio, and Pennsylvania. Household-level EBT statistics are calculated as monthly statistics for the QC sample month. See Table 7 for sample sizes.

Table A-9—Distribution of Households By Percent of Redemption at Supermarkets: FY2003 Matched QC-ALERT Sample
— Continued

| | Percent of benefits redeemed at supermarkets | | | | | |
|--------------------------------------|--|-------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| | Zero | 1-25% | 26-50% | 51-75% | 76-99% | 100% |
| <i>Percent of households</i> | | | | | | |
| Geographic location | | | | | | |
| Region | | | | | | |
| Northeast | 10.2% | 6.9% | 9.5% | 14.5% | 23.0% | 35.9% |
| Mid Atlantic | 6.4 * | 3.0 * | 5.8 * | 12.4 | 24.8 | 47.4 * |
| Midwest | 4.6 * | 2.2 * | 4.1 * | 9.3 * | 26.6 * | 52.5 * |
| Southeast | 6.0 * | 3.6 * | 6.0 * | 10.1 * | 28.2 * | 45.8 * |
| Southwest | 3.3 * | 1.4 * | 3.8 * | 10.7 * | 36.6 * | 43.6 * |
| Mountain Plains | 5.4 * | 2.1 * | 4.5 * | 8.1 * | 26.9 * | 52.6 * |
| West | 2.9 * | 2.1 * | 3.4 * | 9.5 * | 33.8 * | 48.0 * |
| Metro/Nonmetro areas | | | | | | |
| Metropolitan | 5.2 | 3.2 | 5.2 | 10.5 | 29.4 | 46.1 |
| Nonmetro, micropolitan | 4.4 | 1.7 * | 4.2 | 9.8 | 28.6 | 51.1 * |
| Nonmetro, noncore | 7.7 * | 3.0 | 5.6 | 11.1 | 25.1 * | 47.4 |
| County with peristent poverty | | | | | | |
| Yes | 6.2 | 2.4 | 5.0 | 12.7 | 35.8 | 37.7 |
| No | 5.2 * | 3.0 * | 5.2 | 10.2 * | 27.9 * | 48.1 * |

* Denotes statistically significant difference in means and proportions (.05 level). Comparisons are made within table columns, relative to the first row in each subgroup category. The Bonferroni adjustment was used to control for multiplicity in the number of tests when household subgroups contain more than two categories.

Source: USDA, Fiscal Year 2003 Food Stamp Program Quality Control data and ALERT data. Matched sample excludes the following States: California, Delaware, Guam, Iowa, New Mexico, Ohio, and Pennsylvania. Household-level EBT statistics are calculated as monthly statistics for the QC sample month. See Table 7 for sample sizes.

Table A-10—Total Monthly EBT Redemption Per Household, and Distribution of Households by Total Monthly Amount: FY2003 Matched QC-ALERT Sample

| | Monthly household redemption | Total monthly EBT redemption ¹ | | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|------------------------------|---|---------|----------|-----------|-----------|--------|
| | | <\$25 | \$26-50 | \$51-100 | \$101-200 | \$201-300 | >\$300 |
| | | <i>Percent of households</i> | | | | | |
| All households | \$195 | 8.0% | 7.5% | 13.6% | 30.7% | 18.3% | 21.9% |
| Household type | | | | | | | |
| With and without children | | | | | | | |
| Households with children | 282 | 1.3 | 1.5 | 5.3 | 21.5 | 30.3 | 40.1 |
| Households without children | 96* | 15.8 * | 14.5 * | 23.2 * | 41.3 * | 4.4 * | 0.8 * |
| Types of households with children | | | | | | | |
| Single-adult households | 272 | 1.6 | 1.6 | 5.6 | 20.7 | 33.0 | 37.5 |
| Multiple-adult households | 321* | 0.7 * | 1.2 | 4.3 * | 18.6 | 23.8 * | 51.4 * |
| Children only | 227* | 0.6 * | 1.5 | 5.9 | 39.1 * | 30.3 | 22.6 * |
| All households, by type | | | | | | | |
| With elderly | 82 | 21.6 | 21.0 | 24.8 | 26.6 | 4.6 | 1.5 |
| With disabled, nonelderly | 142* | 13.5 * | 12.0 * | 22.2 * | 29.1 * | 11.3 * | 11.8 * |
| With children, no elderly or disabled | 293* | 0.8 * | 1.0 * | 4.1 * | 19.4 * | 31.7 * | 43.0 * |
| Other households | 138* | 2.4 * | 1.8 * | 12.8 * | 74.2 * | 7.3 * | 1.6 |
| Household size | | | | | | | |
| 1 | 91 | 16.1 | 14.2 | 23.6 | 44.0 | 1.6 | 0.5 |
| 2 | 179* | 5.1 * | 5.5 * | 11.2 * | 30.9 * | 42.9 * | 4.3 * |
| 3 | 264* | 0.7 * | 1.3 * | 5.0 * | 19.9 * | 30.6 * | 42.4 * |
| 4+ | 365* | 0.4 * | 0.9 * | 2.5 * | 12.5 * | 18.5 * | 65.2 * |
| Race of household head | | | | | | | |
| White | 177 | 10.1 | 8.3 | 15.8 | 30.1 | 17.3 | 18.4 |
| African American | 209* | 7.3 * | 6.6 * | 11.6 * | 30.6 | 19.2 * | 24.7 * |
| Hispanic | 213* | 4.4 * | 7.5 | 11.3 * | 31.8 | 19.3 * | 25.5 * |
| Other | 231* | 4.0 * | 5.7 * | 13.6 | 31.5 | 18.5 | 26.8 * |
| Employment status | | | | | | | |
| Households with earnings | 237 | 3.3 | 2.8 | 9.3 | 30.7 | 25.5 | 28.5 |
| Households without earnings | 179* | 9.9 * | 9.4 * | 15.3 * | 30.7 | 15.4 * | 19.2 * |
| Receipt of TANF | | | | | | | |
| Yes | 288 | 1.1 | 1.3 | 4.6 | 19.2 | 31.4 | 42.4 |
| No | 179* | 9.2 * | 8.6 * | 15.2 * | 32.7 * | 16.0 * | 18.3 * |
| Food stamp benefit | | | | | | | |
| \$10 or less | 14 | 94.1 | 4.0 | 1.6 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| \$11-100 | 61* | 13.5 * | 29.8 * | 49.3 * | 6.6 * | 0.6 * | 0.3 * |
| \$101-200 | 146* | 0.2 * | 0.1 * | 4.7 * | 89.2 * | 5.0 * | 0.8 * |
| \$201-300 | 252* | 0.1 * | 0.0 | 0.1 * | 7.3 * | 84.0 * | 8.4 * |
| \$301 or more | 414* | 0.2 * | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.5 | 5.4 * | 93.9 * |
| Minimum benefit | 14 | 94.1 | 4.0 | 1.6 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Maximum benefit | 231* | 0.2 * | 0.1 * | 2.6 * | 52.8 * | 20.8 * | 23.5 * |
| Months in certification period | | | | | | | |
| ≤ 6 months | 246 | 2.1 | 1.7 | 7.6 | 33.3 | 24.4 | 30.8 |
| 7-12 months | 168* | 12.0 * | 9.9 * | 16.5 * | 29.5 * | 15.1 * | 17.0 * |
| >12 months | 87* | 17.7 * | 23.0 * | 27.6 * | 24.3 * | 4.5 * | 3.0 * |

¹ Household monthly redemption is measured by EBT purchases. Redemption may be greater than (less than) benefit amount if benefits were carried over in prior months (this month).

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Table A-10—Total Monthly EBT Redemption Per Household, and Distribution of Households by Total Monthly Amount: FY2003 Matched QC-ALERT Sample
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| | | Total monthly EBT redemption ¹ | | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|-------|---|-----------------------|---------|----------|-----------|-----------|--------|
| | | Monthly household redemption | <\$25 | \$26-50 | \$51-100 | \$101-200 | \$201-300 | >\$300 |
| | | | Percent of households | | | | | |
| Geographic location | | | | | | | | |
| Region | | | | | | | | |
| Northeast | \$181 | 8.8% | 5.2% | 10.1% | 42.0% | 16.9% | 17.0% | |
| Mid Atlantic | 179 | 11.0 * | 7.9 * | 14.6 * | 30.4 * | 17.8 | 18.4 | |
| Midwest | 190 | 8.8 | 9.6 * | 14.4 * | 27.6 * | 18.4 | 21.2 * | |
| Southeast | 196* | 7.8 | 6.0 | 14.4 * | 32.1 * | 18.0 | 21.6 * | |
| Southwest | 220* | 5.9 * | 8.6 * | 12.8 * | 24.5 * | 19.5 | 28.7 * | |
| Mountain Plains | 192* | 9.9 | 7.9 * | 13.7 * | 28.4 * | 17.6 | 22.6 * | |
| West | 202* | 5.0 * | 4.4 | 14.9 * | 35.4 * | 19.0 | 21.2 * | |
| Metro/Nonmetro areas | | | | | | | | |
| Metropolitan | 198 | 7.4 | 7.0 | 13.3 | 31.9 | 18.3 | 22.2 | |
| Nonmetro, micropolitan | 191* | 9.6 * | 8.8 * | 13.5 | 27.4 * | 18.8 | 21.9 | |
| Nonmetro, noncore | 181* | 10.9 * | 10.0 * | 14.3 | 26.9 * | 18.1 | 19.8 * | |
| County with peristent poverty | | | | | | | | |
| Yes | 202 | 8.0 | 9.9 | 12.7 | 26.8 | 17.8 | 24.8 | |
| No | 195* | 8.1 | 7.2 * | 13.5 | 31.2 * | 18.4 | 21.6 * | |

¹ Household monthly redemption is measured by EBT purchases. Redemption may be greater than (less than) benefit amount if benefits were carried over in prior months (this month).

* Denotes statistically significant difference in means and proportions (.05 level). Comparisons are made within table columns, relative to the first row in each subgroup category. The Bonferroni adjustment was used to control for multiplicity in the number of tests when household subgroups contain more than two categories.

Source: USDA, Fiscal Year 2003 Food Stamp Program Quality Control data and ALERT data. Matched sample excludes the following States: California, Delaware, Guam, Iowa, New Mexico, Ohio, and Pennsylvania. Household-level EBT statistics are calculated as average monthly statistics over the three months centered on the QC sample month. See Table 7 for sample sizes.

Table A-11—Average Number of EBT Transactions Per Month, for Households Grouped by Total Monthly Redemption: FY2003 Matched QC-ALERT Sample

| | All households | Average number of EBT purchase transactions | | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|----------------|--|---------|----------|-----------|-----------|--------|
| | | Households grouped by total monthly redemption | | | | | |
| | | <\$25 | \$26-50 | \$51-100 | \$101-200 | \$201-300 | >\$300 |
| All households | 7.6 | 1.7 | 2.7 | 4.2 | 6.9 | 9.4 | 13.2 |
| Household type | | | | | | | |
| With and without children | | | | | | | |
| Households with children | 9.7 | 1.7 | 2.6 | 3.9 | 6.3 | 9.2 | 13.2 |
| Households without children | 5.2* | 1.7 | 2.7 | 4.2* | 7.3* | 10.6* | 12.0* |
| Types of households with children | | | | | | | |
| Single-adult households | 9.4 | 1.7 | 2.6 | 3.9 | 6.4 | 9.2 | 12.7 |
| Multiple-adult households | 10.8* | 2.0 | 2.6 | 3.8 | 6.1 | 9.2 | 14.2* |
| Children only | 8.3* | 1.7 | 2.4 | 4.1 | 5.9 | 9.2 | 12.8 |
| All households, by type | | | | | | | |
| With elderly | 4.6 | 1.5 | 2.6 | 4.0 | 7.4 | 12.5 | 13.4 |
| With disabled, nonelderly | 6.1* | 1.8* | 2.8* | 4.2 | 6.5* | 9.4* | 13.6 |
| With children, no elderly or disabled | 10.0* | 1.5 | 2.6 | 3.9 | 6.2* | 9.2* | 13.2 |
| Other households | 7.1* | 1.9* | 2.8 | 4.9* | 7.5 | 9.6* | 11.6 |
| Household size | | | | | | | |
| 1 | 5.0 | 1.7 | 2.7 | 4.3 | 7.2 | 9.5 | 11.8 |
| 2 | 7.3* | 1.7 | 2.7 | 4.0* | 6.8 | 9.5 | 11.2 |
| 3 | 9.5* | 1.7 | 2.5 | 3.7* | 6.3* | 9.5 | 12.0 |
| 4+ | 11.7* | 1.9 | 2.8 | 3.7* | 6.1* | 9.1 | 14.0* |
| Race of household head | | | | | | | |
| White | 6.9 | 1.6 | 2.6 | 4.1 | 6.7 | 9.0 | 12.5 |
| African American | 8.1* | 1.8* | 2.9* | 4.4* | 7.2* | 9.6* | 13.1* |
| Hispanic | 8.2* | 1.6 | 2.5 | 4.0 | 6.4 | 9.4 | 14.4* |
| Other | 9.5* | 2.0 | 2.9 | 4.2 | 7.7* | 10.9* | 15.7* |
| Employment status | | | | | | | |
| Households with earnings | 8.6 | 1.7 | 2.5 | 4.0 | 6.4 | 9.2 | 13.3 |
| Households without earnings | 7.2* | 1.7 | 2.7 | 4.2 | 7.1* | 9.5 | 13.2 |
| Receipt of TANF | | | | | | | |
| Yes | 10.2 | 1.8 | 2.6 | 4.3 | 6.6 | 9.4 | 13.5 |
| No | 7.2* | 1.7 | 2.7 | 4.2 | 6.9* | 9.4 | 13.1 |
| Food stamp benefit | | | | | | | |
| \$10 or less | 1.6 | 1.5 | 2.0 | — | — | — | — |
| \$11-100 | 3.5* | 1.9* | 2.7* | 4.1 | 5.6 | 7.8 | — |
| \$101-200 | 7.0* | — | — | 4.8* | 7.0 | 9.0 | 11.1 |
| \$201-300 | 9.4* | — | — | — | 6.7 | 9.5 | 11.2 |
| \$301 or more | 13.1* | — | — | — | 7.1 | 9.0 | 13.4 |
| Minimum benefit | 1.6 | 1.5 | 2.0 | 3.1 | 8.0 | — | — |
| Maximum benefit | 9.2* | 1.3 | 3.4 | 5.1* | 7.4 | 9.8 | 13.3 |
| Months in certification period | | | | | | | |
| ≤ 6 months | 8.9 | 1.7 | 2.6 | 4.2 | 6.8 | 9.2 | 13.1 |
| 7-12 months | 6.9* | 1.6 | 2.7 | 4.1 | 7.0 | 9.7 | 13.4 |
| >12 months | 4.7* | 1.8 | 2.8 | 4.1 | 7.2 | 10.8 | 13.3 |

— Cell contains fewer than 30 households (see Tables 7 and A-10).

* Denotes statistically significant difference in means and proportions (.05 level). Comparisons are made within table columns, relative to the first row in each subgroup category. The Bonferroni adjustment was used to control for multiplicity in the number of tests when household subgroups contain more than two categories.

‡ Denotes individual estimates not meeting the standards of reliability or precision due to inadequate cell size or large coefficient of variation.

Source: USDA, Fiscal Year 2003 Food Stamp Program Quality Control data and ALERT data. Matched sample excludes the following States: California, Delaware, Guam, Iowa, New Mexico, Ohio, and Pennsylvania. Household-level EBT statistics are calculated as average monthly statistics over the three months centered on the QC sample month. See Table 7 for sample sizes.

Table A-11—Average Number of EBT Transactions Per Month, for Households Grouped by Total Monthly Redemption: FY2003 Matched QC-ALERT Sample
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| | | Average number of EBT purchase transactions | | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|--|---|--|---------|----------|-----------|-----------|--------|
| | | All households | Households grouped by total monthly redemption | | | | | |
| | | | <\$25 | \$26-50 | \$51-100 | \$101-200 | \$201-300 | >\$300 |
| Geographic location | | | | | | | | |
| Region | | | | | | | | |
| Northeast | | 8.2 | ¹ 1.6 | ¹ 2.5 | 4.2 | 8.0 | 10.8 | 13.8 |
| Mid Atlantic | | 7.1* | ¹ 1.6 | ¹ 2.7 | 4.0 | 6.7* | 9.2* | 13.1 |
| Midwest | | 6.9* | ¹ 1.6 | 2.6 | 3.9 | 6.2* | 8.9* | 12.3* |
| Southeast | | 7.5* | ¹ 1.8 | ¹ 2.9 | 4.1 | 6.5* | 9.1* | 13.3 |
| Southwest | | 8.4 | ¹ 1.9* | ¹ 2.7 | 4.2 | 7.1* | 9.5 | 13.8 |
| Mountain Plains | | 7.2* | ¹ 1.7 | ¹ 2.7 | 4.0 | 6.6* | 9.1* | 12.6 |
| West | | 8.6 | ¹ 1.7 | ¹ 2.7 | 5.0* | 7.5 | 9.9 | 14.6 |
| Metro/Nonmetro areas | | | | | | | | |
| Metropolitan | | 7.8 | 1.7 | 2.7 | 4.2 | 7.0 | 9.5 | 13.2 |
| Nonmetro, micropolitan | | 7.3* | ¹ 1.6 | ¹ 2.6 | 4.2 | 6.4* | 9.2 | 13.1 |
| Nonmetro, noncore | | 7.0* | ¹ 1.6 | ¹ 2.7 | 4.0 | 6.4* | 9.1 | 13.2 |
| County with peristent poverty | | | | | | | | |
| Yes | | 8.2 | ¹ 1.6 | ¹ 2.8 | 4.3 | 7.0 | 9.9 | 14.4 |
| No | | 7.6* | 1.7 | 2.7 | 4.1 | 6.9 | 9.3* | 13.0* |

* Denotes statistically significant difference in means and proportions (.05 level). Comparisons are made within table columns, relative to the first row in each subgroup category. The Bonferroni adjustment was used to control for multiplicity in the number of tests when household subgroups contain more than two categories.

¹ Denotes individual estimates not meeting the standards of reliability or precision due to inadequate cell size or large coefficient of variation.

Source: USDA, Fiscal Year 2003 Food Stamp Program Quality Control data and ALERT data. Matched sample excludes the following States: California, Delaware, Guam, Iowa, New Mexico, Ohio, and Pennsylvania. Household-level EBT statistics are calculated as average monthly statistics over the three months centered on the QC sample month. See Table 7 for sample sizes.

Table A-12—Average Purchase Amount Per Transaction, for Households Grouped by Total Monthly Redemption: FY2003 Matched QC-ALERT Sample

| | Average purchase amount | | | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------------|--|---------|----------|-----------|-----------|---------|
| | All households | Households grouped by total monthly redemption | | | | | |
| | | <\$25 | \$26-50 | \$51-100 | \$101-200 | \$201-300 | >\$300 |
| All households | \$27.90 | \$8.62 | \$15.40 | \$20.05 | \$22.98 | \$29.10 | \$34.08 |
| Household type | | | | | | | |
| With and without children | | | | | | | |
| Households with children | 31.53 | 8.18 | 16.55 | 22.39 | 27.42 | 29.77 | 34.06 |
| Households without children | 20.07* | 8.67 | 15.27 | 19.48* | 20.68* | 24.48* | 35.54 |
| Types of households with children | | | | | | | |
| Single-adult households | 31.65 | 8.43 | 16.60 | 22.43 | 27.17 | 29.87 | 34.72 |
| Multiple-adult households | 31.75 | › 7.25 | › 16.37 | 22.87 | 28.16 | 29.89 | 33.19* |
| Children only | 29.36* | › 7.03 | › 16.65 | 20.94 | 27.34 | 28.56 | 32.70 |
| All households, by type | | | | | | | |
| With elderly | 19.16 | 9.31 | 15.83 | 20.04 | 19.64 | 20.44 | 31.90 |
| With disabled, nonelderly | 25.83* | 8.10* | 14.85 | 20.34 | 24.12* | 29.28* | 33.83 |
| With children, no elderly or disabled | 31.85* | 8.44 | 16.14 | 21.89 | 27.62* | 29.94* | 34.14 |
| Other households | 21.39* | 7.22* | 14.49 | 17.87* | 20.76 | 27.21* | 36.15 |
| Household size | | | | | | | |
| 1 | 19.91 | 8.72 | 15.12 | 19.43 | 20.96 | 25.98 | 39.53 |
| 2 | 26.78* | 8.15 | 16.52 | 20.96 | 24.82* | 28.39 | 33.67 |
| 3 | 30.56* | › 8.76 | 16.79 | 22.64* | 27.63* | 29.35 | 32.42* |
| 4+ | 33.69* | › 7.11* | 16.13 | 25.11* | 28.88* | 30.96* | 34.76 |
| Race of household head | | | | | | | |
| White | 27.70 | 9.16 | 15.59 | 20.19 | 23.05 | 30.04 | 34.71 |
| African American | 28.55* | 7.91* | 14.71 | 19.42 | 22.59 | 29.03 | 35.42 |
| Hispanic | 27.91 | 8.53 | 16.74 | 21.42 | 25.31* | 28.64 | 30.74* |
| Other | 26.18* | 7.26 | 14.31 | 19.03 | 20.71* | 24.65* | 31.86* |
| Employment status | | | | | | | |
| Households with earnings | 29.82 | 8.38 | 16.35 | 21.02 | 25.67 | 29.56 | 33.58 |
| Households without earnings | 26.98* | 8.65 | 15.29 | 19.83* | 22.01* | 28.80 | 34.39 |
| Receipt of TANF | | | | | | | |
| Yes | 31.00 | 7.90 | 17.04 | 21.10 | 26.30 | 29.27 | 33.43 |
| No | 27.12* | 8.64 | 15.35 | 19.99 | 22.65* | 29.03 | 34.36 |
| Food stamp benefit | | | | | | | |
| \$10 or less | 8.84 | 7.75 | 16.89 | — | — | — | — |
| \$11-100 | 19.16* | 9.66* | 15.34 | 20.23 | 24.88 | 32.13 | — |
| \$101-200 | 23.10* | — | — | 18.73 | 22.72 | 28.00 | 37.41 |
| \$201-300 | 29.34* | — | — | — | 26.56 | 29.04 | 33.37 |
| \$301 or more | 33.94* | — | — | — | › 24.66 | 30.99 | 34.08 |
| Minimum benefit | 8.85 | 7.75 | 16.89 | › 21.96 | › 20.07 | — | — |
| Maximum benefit | 27.25* | › 6.07 | › 12.26 | 17.44 | 21.09 | 28.12 | 34.83 |
| Months in certification period | | | | | | | |
| ≤ 6 months | 29.99 | 8.30 | 16.08 | 20.19 | 23.94 | 29.91 | 34.53 |
| 7-12 months | 26.29* | 8.76 | 15.47 | 20.05 | 22.37* | 28.22 | 33.24 |
| >12 months | 20.41* | 8.46 | 15.08 | 20.03 | 20.46* | 25.01 | 33.81 |

— Cell contains fewer than 30 households (see Tables 7 and A-10).

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Source: USDA, Fiscal Year 2003 Food Stamp Program Quality Control data and ALERT data. Matched sample excludes the following States: California, Delaware, Guam, Iowa, New Mexico, Ohio, and Pennsylvania. Household-level EBT statistics are calculated as average monthly statistics over the three months centered on the QC sample month. See Table 7 for sample sizes.

**Table A-12—Average Purchase Amount Per Transaction, for Households Grouped by Total Monthly Redemption:
FY2003 Matched QC-ALERT Sample
— Continued**

| | | Average purchase amount | | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|--|-------------------------|--|---------|----------|-----------|-----------|---------|
| | | All households | Households grouped by total monthly redemption | | | | | |
| | | | <\$25 | \$26-50 | \$51-100 | \$101-200 | \$201-300 | >\$300 |
| Geographic location | | | | | | | | |
| Region | | | | | | | | |
| Northeast | | \$24.16 | \$8.74 | \$15.41 | \$20.27 | \$19.43 | \$25.66 | \$31.96 |
| Mid Atlantic | | 27.86* | 9.21 | 15.02 | 21.41 | 23.69* | 29.95* | 34.04 |
| Midwest | | 29.78* | 9.12 | 15.99 | 21.19 | 25.44* | 30.48* | 36.52* |
| Southeast | | 28.65* | 7.97 | 13.78 | 20.38 | 24.56* | 30.21* | 34.36 |
| Southwest | | 28.43* | 7.77 | 15.83 | 19.22 | 23.13* | 29.05 | 33.04 |
| Mountain Plains | | 28.69* | 8.91 | 15.43 | 20.12 | 23.89* | 29.56* | 35.16 |
| West | | 25.58 | 8.43 | 14.78 | 17.04* | 21.01 | 27.45 | 31.31 |
| Metro/Nonmetro areas | | | | | | | | |
| Metropolitan | | 27.83 | 8.47 | 15.43 | 20.22 | 22.52 | 28.95 | 34.26 |
| Nonmetro, micropolitan | | 28.12 | 8.83 | 15.41 | 19.63 | 24.66* | 29.24 | 33.33 |
| Nonmetro, noncore | | 27.93 | 9.15 | 15.20 | 20.38 | 24.94* | 29.74 | 32.96 |
| County with peristent poverty | | | | | | | | |
| Yes | | 26.84 | 8.49 | 15.22 | 19.48 | 23.36 | 27.41 | 31.07 |
| No | | 28.02* | 8.64 | 15.42 | 20.24 | 22.94 | 29.29* | 34.47* |

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Table A-13—Average Percent of Benefits Redeemed At Supermarkets, for Households Grouped by Total Monthly Redemption: FY2003 Matched QC-ALERT Sample

| | | Average percent of benefits redeemed at supermarkets | | | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|--------|--|--|---------|----------|-----------|-----------|--------|
| | | All households | Households grouped by total monthly redemption | | | | | |
| | | | <\$25 | \$26-50 | \$51-100 | \$101-200 | \$201-300 | >\$300 |
| All households | 82.1% | 79.2% | 82.8% | 82.7% | 80.5% | 83.4% | 82.3% | |
| Household type | | | | | | | | |
| With and without children | | | | | | | | |
| Households with children | 83.1 | 74.6 | 80.2 | 83.9 | 84.6 | 84.1 | 82.4 | |
| Households without children | 78.7 * | 79.6 | 83.1 | 82.4 | 77.7 * | 77.0 * | 73.6 * | |
| Types of households with children | | | | | | | | |
| Single-adult households | 84.0 | 73.0 | 81.7 | 84.7 | 85.2 | 84.7 | 83.3 | |
| Multiple-adult households | 82.2 * | 80.7 | 78.3 | 83.2 | 84.8 | 83.5 | 81.6 | |
| Children only | 79.4 * | 83.7 | 72.0 | 79.6 | 80.8 * | 80.3 | 77.8 * | |
| All households, by type | | | | | | | | |
| With elderly | 78.7 | 83.2 | 85.4 | 83.6 | 76.7 | 70.4 | 80.0 | |
| With disabled, nonelderly | 80.3 | 75.1 * | 78.8 * | 82.3 | 81.2 * | 81.0 * | 78.8 | |
| With children, no elderly or disabled | 83.6 * | 76.1 | 85.4 | 84.3 | 84.9 * | 84.7 * | 82.9 | |
| Other households | 78.6 | 73.9 | 84.3 | 80.0 | 77.8 | 82.6 * | 78.8 | |
| Household size | | | | | | | | |
| 1 | 78.5 | 79.8 | 83.2 | 82.2 | 77.5 | 75.2 | 69.2 | |
| 2 | 83.3 * | 76.1 | 82.6 | 83.0 | 84.3 * | 83.4 * | 80.1 | |
| 3 | 83.4 * | 68.6 | 74.8 | 84.8 | 85.2 * | 83.3 * | 83.1 | |
| 4+ | 82.7 * | 78.5 | 81.9 | 86.2 | 84.4 * | 84.6 * | 82.2 | |
| Race of household head | | | | | | | | |
| White | 85.6 | 83.4 | 84.4 | 85.7 | 85.2 | 85.8 | 85.8 | |
| African American | 80.2 * | 73.4 * | 80.0 * | 78.2 * | 76.1 * | 81.6 * | 81.5 * | |
| Hispanic | 81.5 * | 73.9 * | 86.3 | 84.1 | 80.6 * | 83.1 * | 80.9 * | |
| Other | 69.3 * | 61.6 * | 67.9 | 70.6 * | 69.9 * | 73.8 * | 67.3 * | |
| Employment status | | | | | | | | |
| Households with earnings | 84.0 | 73.6 | 81.4 | 83.2 | 85.0 | 85.4 | 83.1 | |
| Households without earnings | 81.1 * | 79.9 * | 83.0 | 82.6 | 78.6 * | 82.0 * | 81.8 | |
| Receipt of TANF | | | | | | | | |
| Yes | 81.6 | 72.5 | 72.7 | 83.3 | 79.8 | 82.5 | 81.4 | |
| No | 82.3 | 79.3 | 83.1 * | 82.6 | 80.6 | 83.6 | 82.6 | |
| Food stamp benefit | | | | | | | | |
| \$10 or less | 79.8 | 78.6 | 89.9 | — | — | — | — | |
| \$11-100 | 83.4 | 79.8 | 82.6 | 82.9 | 85.6 | 87.9 | — | |
| \$101-200 | 80.1 | — | — | 81.5 | 80.0 | 81.0 | 80.0 | |
| \$201-300 | 83.3 | — | — | — | 84.8 | 83.4 | 81.8 | |
| \$301 or more | 82.4 | — | — | — | 78.8 | 84.7 | 82.3 | |
| Minimum benefit | 79.8 | 78.6 | 89.9 | 75.0 | 87.9 | — | — | |
| Maximum benefit | 81.0 | 71.9 | 80.6 | 78.1 | 76.8 * | 82.3 | 83.6 | |
| Months in certification period | | | | | | | | |
| ≤ 6 months | 83.5 | 79.2 | 81.5 | 82.0 | 82.5 | 85.3 | 83.2 | |
| 7-12 months | 80.9 * | 80.8 | 84.2 | 83.6 | 79.4 * | 81.0 * | 81.1 * | |
| >12 months | 76.1 * | 75.1 | 80.9 | 81.3 | 73.6 * | 71.0 * | 75.5 | |

— Cell contains fewer than 30 households (see Tables 7 and A-10).

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Source: USDA, Fiscal Year 2003 Food Stamp Program Quality Control data and ALERT data. Matched sample excludes the following States: California, Delaware, Guam, Iowa, New Mexico, Ohio, and Pennsylvania. Household-level EBT statistics are calculated as average monthly statistics over the three months centered on the QC sample month. See Table 7 for sample sizes.

Table A-13—Average Percent of Benefits Redeemed At Supermarkets, for Households Grouped by Total Monthly Redemption: FY2003 Matched QC-ALERT Sample
— Continued

| | | Average percent of benefits redeemed at supermarkets | | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|--|--|--|---------|----------|-----------|-----------|--------|
| | | All households | Households grouped by total monthly redemption | | | | | |
| | | | <\$25 | \$26-50 | \$51-100 | \$101-200 | \$201-300 | >\$300 |
| Geographic location | | | | | | | | |
| Region | | | | | | | | |
| Northeast | | 68.4% | 71.7% | 73.6% | 79.1% | 67.1% | 72.1% | 66.0% |
| Mid Atlantic | | 80.2 * | 78.7 | 82.0 | 80.4 | 78.7 * | 81.1 * | 80.4 * |
| Midwest | | 85.7 * | 82.6 * | 83.9 * | 84.0 | 85.7 * | 85.9 * | 85.9 * |
| Southeast | | 78.2 * | 77.9 | 80.7 | 80.3 | 78.0 * | 79.4 * | 77.3 * |
| Southwest | | 86.8 * | 78.8 | 86.6 * | 83.9 | 85.4 * | 88.0 * | 87.0 * |
| Mountain Plains | | 85.6 * | 79.3 | 81.3 | 85.4 | 85.0 * | 86.2 * | 85.9 * |
| West | | 85.0 * | 83.5 * | 84.5 * | 84.3 | 85.3 * | 86.8 * | 83.9 * |
| Metro/Nonmetro areas | | | | | | | | |
| Metropolitan | | 82.0 | 79.4 | 83.5 | 83.2 | 79.6 | 83.2 | 82.4 |
| Nonmetro, micropolitan | | 85.4 * | 81.9 | 85.8 | 84.4 | 85.8 * | 85.9 * | 85.0 * |
| Nonmetro, noncore | | 80.4 | 75.5 | 77.1 * | 78.1 * | 80.7 | 81.3 | 80.3 |
| County with peristent poverty | | | | | | | | |
| Yes | | 81.6 | 74.1 | 79.9 | 77.5 | 81.5 | 82.7 | 81.6 |
| No | | 82.3 | 79.8 * | 83.4 | 83.4 * | 80.4 | 83.4 | 82.6 |

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Table A-14—Percent of Households with No Supermarket Redemption, for Households Grouped by Total Monthly Redemption: FY2003 Matched QC-ALERT Sample

| | All households | Percent of households with no supermarket redemption | | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|----------------|--|---------|----------|-----------|-----------|--------|
| | | Households grouped by total monthly redemption | | | | | |
| | | <\$25 | \$26-50 | \$51-100 | \$101-200 | \$201-300 | >\$300 |
| All households | 5.4% | 17.0% | 10.4% | 7.2% | 5.1% | 2.1% | 1.3% |
| Household type | | | | | | | |
| With and without children | | | | | | | |
| Households with children | 2.4 | 19.2 | 10.0 | 6.2 | 3.2 | 1.6 | 1.3 |
| Households without children | 8.8 * | 16.8 | 10.4 | 7.4 | 6.3 * | 5.5 * | 4.2 * |
| Types of households with children | | | | | | | |
| Single-adult households | 2.2 | 20.0 | 7.4 | 5.3 | 2.5 | 1.6 | 1.2 |
| Multiple-adult households | 2.4 | 16.4 | 14.7 | 6.6 | 3.7 | 1.9 | 1.4 |
| Children only | 3.9 | 14.8 | 19.1 | 11.9 | 5.2 | 1.7 | 1.2 |
| All households, by type | | | | | | | |
| With elderly | 8.8 | 14.2 | 8.8 | 6.6 | 6.9 | 8.4 | 4.0 |
| With disabled, nonelderly | 7.5 | 19.4 * | 13.0 * | 7.2 | 4.6 | 1.2 * | 1.8 |
| With children, no elderly or disabled | 2.1 * | 22.0 | 6.2 | 6.7 | 2.9 * | 1.7 * | 1.2 |
| Other households | 7.0 * | 22.5 | 10.0 | 9.0 | 6.4 | 4.0 | 6.1 |
| Household size | | | | | | | |
| 1 | 8.9 | 16.6 | 10.2 | 7.6 | 6.4 | 9.9 | 4.2 |
| 2 | 4.2 * | 17.8 | 11.1 | 6.2 | 3.2 * | 2.1 * | 3.2 |
| 3 | 2.3 * | 26.0 | 11.2 | 6.8 | 3.2 * | 1.6 * | 1.1 |
| 4+ | 1.8 * | 24.8 | 9.6 | 3.6 * | 3.4 * | 1.4 * | 1.2 |
| Race of household head | | | | | | | |
| White | 4.9 | 13.3 | 10.1 | 6.0 | 3.8 | 2.2 | 1.2 |
| African American | 5.9 * | 21.6 * | 10.5 | 8.5 | 6.8 * | 2.0 | 0.8 |
| Hispanic | 4.8 | 22.8 * | 8.1 | 6.3 | 5.2 | 1.6 | 1.9 |
| Other | 8.1 * | 28.6 | 25.4 | 12.6 | 6.1 | 3.7 | 4.6 * |
| Employment status | | | | | | | |
| Households with earnings | 3.5 | 23.8 | 10.7 | 7.0 | 3.6 | 1.4 | 1.0 |
| Households without earnings | 6.1 * | 16.1 * | 10.3 | 7.2 | 5.7 * | 2.6 * | 1.5 |
| Receipt of TANF | | | | | | | |
| Yes | 2.5 | 12.2 | 16.8 | 4.6 | 4.4 | 2.0 | 1.1 |
| No | 5.9 * | 17.1 | 10.2 | 7.3 * | 5.2 | 2.1 | 1.4 |
| Food stamp benefit | | | | | | | |
| \$10 or less | 16.8 | 17.4 | 3.0 | — | — | — | — |
| \$11-100 | 9.0 * | 16.2 | 10.5 * | 6.9 | 3.1 * | 3.0 | — |
| \$101-200 | 5.4 * | — | — | 8.2 | 5.3 * | 5.1 | 1.9 |
| \$201-300 | 2.0 * | — | — | — | 4.5 * | 1.8 | 1.7 |
| \$301 or more | 1.4 * | — | — | — | 6.0 | 1.8 | 1.3 |
| Minimum benefit | 16.8 | 17.4 | 3.0 | 22.8 | 0.0 | — | — |
| Maximum benefit | 4.8 * | 36.8 | 0.0 | 12.1 | 6.9 * | 2.8 | 1.0 |
| Months in certification period | | | | | | | |
| ≤ 6 months | 3.4 | 17.7 | 11.3 | 7.6 | 4.5 | 1.5 | 1.2 |
| 7-12 months | 6.2 * | 15.6 | 8.7 | 6.9 | 5.7 | 3.0 * | 1.4 |
| >12 months | 10.3 * | 20.1 | 13.0 | 7.2 | 6.2 | 3.9 | 4.0 |

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Table A-14—Percent of Households with No Supermarket Redemption, for Households Grouped by Total Monthly Redemption: FY2003 Matched QC-ALERT Sample
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| | | Percent of households with no supermarket redemption | | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|--|--|--|---------|----------|-----------|-----------|--------|
| | | All households | Households grouped by total monthly redemption | | | | | |
| | | | <\$25 | \$26-50 | \$51-100 | \$101-200 | \$201-300 | >\$300 |
| Geographic location | | | | | | | | |
| Region | | | | | | | | |
| Northeast | | 10.2% | 25.0% | 18.5% | 10.6% | 10.4% | 3.8% | 5.6% |
| Mid Atlantic | | 6.4 * | 18.1 | 11.0 | 8.1 | 6.2 * | 2.2 | 0.7 |
| Midwest | | 4.6 * | 14.9 * | 9.4 | 6.9 | 3.1 * | 2.1 | 0.7 |
| Southeast | | 6.0 * | 16.7 | 8.0 | 8.8 | 6.4 * | 3.3 | 1.5 |
| Southwest | | 3.3 * | 16.1 | 8.4 | 5.8 | 2.8 * | 0.7 | 0.3 |
| Mountain Plains | | 5.4 * | 17.6 | 16.0 | 5.7 | 4.2 * | 1.5 | 0.7 * |
| West | | 2.9 * | 10.0 * | 8.2 | 4.3 * | 2.5 * | 1.0 | 1.6 |
| Metro/Nonmetro areas | | | | | | | | |
| Metropolitan | | 5.2 | 16.4 | 9.6 | 7.0 | 5.5 | 2.0 | 1.2 |
| Nonmetro, micropolitan | | 4.4 | 15.7 | 7.8 | 6.0 | 3.0 * | 1.5 | 1.1 |
| Nonmetro, noncore | | 7.7 * | 21.6 | 16.6 * | 9.7 | 5.2 | 3.0 | 1.6 |
| County with peristent poverty | | | | | | | | |
| Yes | | 6.2 | 23.7 | 12.2 | 10.5 | 3.7 | 2.8 | 1.2 |
| No | | 5.2 * | 16.2 * | 10.0 | 6.8 * | 5.3 * | 2.0 | 1.2 |

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Table A-15—EBT Transactions and Redemption at Out-of-State Retailers: FY2003 Matched QC-ALERT Sample

| | Average monthly out-of-state EBT redemption ¹ | | Households with any out-of-state transactions | |
|---------------------------------------|--|-----------------------|---|--|
| | Percent of transactions | Percent of redemption | Percent of all households | Avg % of dollars redeemed out-of-state |
| All households | 1.8% | 2.3% | 3.8% | 50.1% |
| Household type | | | | |
| With and without children | | | | |
| Households with children | 1.8 | 2.2 | 4.3 | 46.9 |
| Households without children | 1.9 | 2.4 | 3.2 * | 64.4 * |
| Types of households with children | | | | |
| Single-adult households | 1.8 | 2.2 | 4.3 | 47.8 |
| Multiple-adult households | 2.0 | 2.7 | 5.0 | 45.1 |
| Children only | 0.8 * | 0.9 * | 1.8 * | 50.6 |
| All households, by type | | | | |
| With elderly | 1.5 | 2.1 | 2.5 | 69.5 |
| With disabled, nonelderly | 1.9 | 2.3 | 3.6 * | 54.3 * |
| With children, no elderly or disabled | 1.7 | 2.2 | 4.3 * | 46.3 * |
| Other households | 2.3 * | 2.7 | 4.3 * | 59.3 * |
| Household size | | | | |
| 1 | 1.9 | 2.2 | 3.0 | 67.0 |
| 2 | 1.8 | 2.3 | 3.9 * | 54.3 * |
| 3 | 1.8 | 2.1 | 4.2 * | 48.7 * |
| 4+ | 1.8 | 2.4 | 4.9 * | 43.9 * |
| Race of household head | | | | |
| White | 2.1 | 2.5 | 3.9 | 51.0 |
| African American | 2.0 | 2.5 | 4.4 | 48.6 |
| Hispanic | 0.8 * | 0.9 * | 1.4 * | 55.6 |
| Other | 2.4 | 4.4 * | 6.9 * | 47.8 |
| Employment status | | | | |
| Households with earnings | 1.6 | 2.0 | 3.7 | 46.2 |
| Households without earnings | 1.9 * | 2.5 * | 3.8 | 52.0 * |
| Receipt of TANF | | | | |
| Yes | 1.9 | 2.4 | 5.0 | 46.4 |
| No | 1.8 | 2.2 | 3.6 * | 51.4 * |
| Food stamp benefit | | | | |
| \$10 or less | 1.5 | 1.5 | 1.7 | 95.6 |
| \$11-100 | 2.0 | 2.1 | 2.7 * | 74.4 * |
| \$101-200 | 1.9 | 2.2 * | 3.6 * | 62.2 * |
| \$201-300 | 1.7 | 2.3 * | 4.4 * | 51.1 * |
| \$301 or more | 1.8 | 2.4 * | 5.2 * | 43.1 * |
| Minimum benefit | 1.5 | 1.5 | 1.7 | 95.8 |
| Maximum benefit | 2.0 | 2.6 * | 4.4 * | 52.9 * |
| Months in certification period | | | | |
| ≤ 6 months | 1.7 | 2.1 | 4.1 | 46.0 |
| 7-12 months | 1.8 | 2.3 | 3.4 * | 52.4 * |
| >12 months | 2.8 * | 3.4 * | 3.8 | 72.2 * |

¹ Table shows the percent of transactions and redemption by in-state households at out-of-state retailers. Households may cross State boundaries when redeeming benefits.

* Denotes statistically significant difference in means and proportions (.05 level). Comparisons are made within table columns, relative to the first row in each subgroup category. The Bonferroni adjustment was used to control for multiplicity in the number of tests when household subgroups contain more than two categories.

‡ Denotes individual estimates not meeting the standards of reliability or precision due to inadequate cell size or large coefficient of variation.

Source: USDA, Fiscal Year 2003 Food Stamp Program Quality Control data and ALERT data. Matched sample excludes the following States: California, Delaware, Guam, Iowa, New Mexico, Ohio, and Pennsylvania. Household-level EBT statistics are calculated as average monthly statistics over the three months centered on the QC sample month. See Table 7 for sample sizes.

**Table A-15—EBT Transactions and Redemption at Out-of-State Retailers: FY2003 Matched QC-ALERT Sample
— Continued**

| | Average monthly out-of-state EBT redemption ¹ | | Households with any out-of-state transactions | |
|---------------------------------------|--|-----------------------|---|--|
| | Percent of transactions | Percent of redemption | Percent of all households | Avg % of dollars redeemed out-of-state |
| Geographic location | | | | |
| Region | | | | |
| Northeast | 1.2% | 2.0% | 3.0% | 53.2% |
| Mid Atlantic | 4.3 * | 5.9 * | 8.5 * | 57.2 |
| Midwest | 1.1 | 1.4 | 3.5 | 25.8 * |
| Southeast | 3.7 * | 4.0 * | 4.6 * | 76.4 * |
| Southwest | 0.4 * | 0.6 * | 1.5 * | 31.7 * |
| Mountain Plains | 1.6 | 2.1 | 3.9 | 41.2 * |
| West | 2.3 * | 2.9 * | 4.3 * | 60.7 |
| Metro/Nonmetro areas | | | | |
| Metropolitan | 1.7 | 2.1 | 3.4 | 52.7 |
| Nonmetro, micropolitan | 1.7 | 1.9 | 3.7 | 45.6 |
| Nonmetro, noncore | 2.6 * | 3.8 * | 6.3 * | 41.3 * |
| County with persistent poverty | | | | |
| Yes | 1.5 | 2.2 | 4.7 | 32.8 |
| No | 1.8 * | 2.3 | 3.7 * | 52.4 * |

¹ Table shows the percent of transactions and redemption by in-state households at out-of-state retailers. Households may cross State boundaries when redeeming benefits.

* Denotes statistically significant difference in means and proportions (.05 level). Comparisons are made within table columns, relative to the first row in each subgroup category. The Bonferroni adjustment was used to control for multiplicity in the number of tests when household subgroups contain more than two categories.

Source: USDA, Fiscal Year 2003 Food Stamp Program Quality Control data and ALERT data. Matched sample excludes the following States: California, Delaware, Guam, Iowa, New Mexico, Ohio, and Pennsylvania. Household-level EBT statistics are calculated as average monthly statistics over the three months centered on the QC sample month. See Table 7 for sample sizes.

Table A-16—Average Percent of Monthly Benefits Redeemed By Days Since Issuance: FY2003 Matched QC-ALERT Sample

| | Cumulative percent of monthly benefit redeemed by ¹ | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|--|--------|--------|--------|--------------|
| | Day 1 | Day 7 | Day 14 | Day 21 | End of month |
| All households | 21.2% | 60.3% | 80.5% | 91.0% | 97.0% |
| Household type | | | | | |
| With and without children | | | | | |
| Households with children | 21.9 | 60.7 | 80.9 | 91.4 | 97.2 |
| Households without children | 18.8 * | 58.8 * | 79.0 * | 89.7 * | 96.2 * |
| Types of households with children | | | | | |
| Single-adult households | 22.2 | 61.6 | 81.5 | 91.6 | 97.2 |
| Multiple-adult households | 22.3 | 59.7 * | 80.4 | 91.2 | 97.4 |
| Children only | 17.5 * | 56.2 * | 78.0 * | 90.0 | 96.3 |
| All households, by type | | | | | |
| With elderly | 13.7 | 51.7 | 74.2 | 87.4 | 95.3 |
| With disabled, nonelderly | 23.9 * | 65.6 * | 84.2 * | 92.6 * | 97.5 * |
| With children, no elderly or disabled | 21.3 * | 59.7 * | 80.3 * | 91.1 * | 97.1 * |
| Other households | 21.6 * | 60.9 * | 80.3 * | 90.4 * | 96.6 * |
| Household size | | | | | |
| 1 | 18.3 | 58.7 | 78.9 | 89.5 | 96.0 |
| 2 | 21.4 * | 60.9 * | 81.0 * | 91.3 * | 97.0 * |
| 3 | 21.9 * | 60.8 * | 80.5 * | 91.0 * | 96.9 * |
| 4+ | 22.2 * | 60.4 * | 81.0 * | 91.6 * | 97.4 * |
| Race of household head | | | | | |
| White | 20.5 | 56.8 | 78.0 | 89.7 | 96.6 |
| African American | 24.5 * | 66.4 * | 84.6 * | 93.1 * | 97.8 * |
| Hispanic | 17.4 * | 57.0 | 78.6 | 90.1 | 96.1 |
| Other | 17.1 * | 55.3 | 78.0 | 89.5 | 96.9 |
| Employment status | | | | | |
| Households with earnings | 20.9 | 58.9 | 79.4 | 90.4 | 96.9 |
| Households without earnings | 21.4 | 61.0 * | 81.1 * | 91.3 * | 97.0 |
| Receipt of TANF | | | | | |
| Yes | 22.0 | 62.7 | 82.8 | 92.5 | 97.4 |
| No | 21.0 * | 59.6 * | 79.8 * | 90.6 * | 96.8 * |
| Food stamp benefit | | | | | |
| \$10 or less | 15.6 | 58.0 | 78.7 | 89.9 | 96.0 |
| \$11-100 | 19.7 * | 62.5 * | 81.9 * | 90.7 | 95.8 |
| \$101-200 | 20.9 * | 62.0 * | 81.4 * | 91.0 | 96.7 * |
| \$201-300 | 22.2 * | 61.0 * | 81.4 * | 91.7 * | 97.4 * |
| \$301 or more | 21.2 * | 58.7 | 79.4 | 90.7 | 97.1 * |
| Minimum benefit | 15.6 | 58.0 | 78.7 | 89.9 | 96.0 |
| Maximum benefit | 21.4 * | 59.5 | 80.2 | 91.1 * | 97.2 * |
| Months in certification period | | | | | |
| ≤ 6 months | 21.6 | 59.8 | 80.3 | 90.8 | 96.8 |
| 7-12 months | 21.2 | 61.0 | 80.9 | 91.5 * | 97.3 * |
| >12 months | 17.0 * | 59.5 | 79.2 | 89.4 | 96.2 |

¹ The monthly benefit is the amount issued in the current month. The percent redeemed does not reflect spending of benefits carried over from prior months.

* Denotes statistically significant difference in means and proportions (.05 level). Comparisons are made within table columns, relative to the first row in each subgroup category. The Bonferroni adjustment was used to control for multiplicity in the number of tests when household subgroups contain more than two categories.

Note: For each household, the regular monthly issuance date was imputed from EBT redemption patterns observed over the period from July 2002-December 2003.

Source: USDA, Fiscal Year 2003 Food Stamp Program Quality Control data and ALERT data. Matched sample excludes the following States: California, Delaware, Guam, Iowa, New Mexico, Ohio, and Pennsylvania. EBT statistics are calculated at the household level as average monthly statistics over the three months centered on the QC sample month. See Table 7 for sample sizes. This table excludes households for which issuance date could not be imputed, and case-months with multiple issuances. The sample for this table represents 71.2 percent of the full QC sample (compared with 77.3% for other tables).

Table A-16—Average Percent of Monthly Benefits Redeemed By Days Since Issuance: FY2003 Matched QC-ALERT Sample
— Continued

| | Cumulative percent of monthly benefit redeemed by ¹ | | | | |
|--------------------------------------|--|--------|--------|--------|--------------|
| | Day 1 | Day 7 | Day 14 | Day 21 | End of month |
| Geographic location | | | | | |
| Region | | | | | |
| Northeast | 15.7% | 59.4% | 80.2% | 91.4% | 97.5% |
| Mid Atlantic | 18.0 | 61.2 | 81.6 | 91.9 | 97.9 |
| Midwest | 24.1 | 62.8 | 82.9 | 92.6 | 97.7 |
| Southeast | 20.9 | 59.7 | 79.8 | 90.7 | 97.1 |
| Southwest | 22.9 | 59.7 | 79.0 | 89.0 | 95.0 |
| Mountain Plains | 20.7 | 58.2 | 79.5 | 90.9 | 97.0 |
| West | 19.0 | 56.8 | 78.4 | 90.3 | 97.1 |
| Metro/Nonmetro areas | | | | | |
| Metropolitan | 20.5 | 59.9 | 80.2 | 90.9 | 96.9 |
| Nonmetro, micropolitan | 23.5 * | 61.0 | 81.0 | 91.4 | 97.2 |
| Nonmetro, noncore | 24.1 * | 62.1 * | 81.8 * | 91.6 | 97.2 |
| County with peristent poverty | | | | | |
| Yes | 24.7 | 63.8 | 83.1 | 92.1 | 96.7 |
| No | 20.8 * | 59.8 * | 80.2 * | 90.9 * | 97.0 |

¹ The monthly benefit is the amount issued in the current month. The percent redeemed does not reflect spending of benefits carried over from prior months.

* Denotes statistically significant difference in means and proportions (.05 level). Comparisons are made within table columns, relative to the first row in each subgroup category. The Bonferroni adjustment was used to control for multiplicity in the number of tests when household subgroups contain more than two categories.

Note: For each household, the regular monthly issuance date was imputed from EBT redemption patterns observed over the period from July 2002-December 2003.

Source: USDA, Fiscal Year 2003 Food Stamp Program Quality Control data and ALERT data. Matched sample excludes the following States: California, Delaware, Guam, Iowa, New Mexico, Ohio, and Pennsylvania. EBT statistics are calculated at the household level as average monthly statistics over the three months centered on the QC sample month. See Table 7 for sample sizes. This table excludes households for which issuance date could not be imputed, and case-months with multiple issuances. The sample for this table represents 71.2 percent of the full QC sample (compared with 77.3% for other tables).

Table A-17—Distribution of Households by Percent of Monthly Benefit Redeemed in the First Week After Issuance: FY2003 Matched QC-ALERT Sample

| | Percent of benefits redeemed in first week after issuance ¹ | | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|--|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------|
| | < 10% | 10-25% | 26-50% | 51-75% | 76-90% | 91-100% |
| | <i>Percent of households</i> | | | | | |
| All households | 6.1% | 6.7% | 23.9% | 27.2% | 15.5% | 20.8% |
| Household type | | | | | | |
| With and without children | | | | | | |
| Households with children | 3.9 | 6.0 | 23.5 | 30.0 | 17.1 | 19.4 |
| Households without children | 8.7 * | 7.5 * | 24.3 | 23.7 * | 13.6 * | 22.4 * |
| Types of households with children | | | | | | |
| Single-adult households | 4.1 | 5.7 | 22.5 | 29.9 | 17.6 | 20.3 |
| Multiple-adult households | 3.0 * | 6.5 | 24.4 | 30.6 | 17.1 | 18.4 |
| Children only | 5.6 | 6.9 | 29.1 * | 29.6 | 13.5 * | 15.6 * |
| All households, by type | | | | | | |
| With elderly | 10.8 | 9.4 | 28.3 | 23.7 | 11.2 | 16.8 |
| With disabled, nonelderly | 6.1 * | 4.7 * | 19.6 * | 24.5 | 16.9 * | 28.3 * |
| With children, no elderly or disabled | 3.9 * | 6.4 * | 24.8 * | 31.0 * | 16.7 * | 17.4 |
| Other households | 6.6 * | 7.8 | 22.4 * | 24.4 | 15.4 * | 23.6 * |
| Household size | | | | | | |
| 1 | 9.0 | 7.4 | 24.2 | 23.7 | 13.7 | 22.2 |
| 2 | 5.2 * | 6.4 | 23.5 | 27.8 * | 15.5 * | 21.8 |
| 3 | 3.6 * | 6.6 | 23.5 | 28.8 * | 18.4 * | 19.3 * |
| 4+ | 3.3 * | 5.8 * | 23.9 | 31.8 * | 16.9 * | 18.3 * |
| Race of household head | | | | | | |
| White | 7.0 | 7.7 | 26.2 | 27.0 | 14.6 | 17.6 |
| African American | 5.3 * | 5.0 * | 17.8 * | 26.4 | 17.9 * | 27.8 * |
| Hispanic | 5.0 * | 6.9 | 28.3 | 29.5 * | 13.6 | 16.8 |
| Other | 5.6 | 9.2 | 30.6 * | 27.1 | 15.1 | 12.5 * |
| Employment status | | | | | | |
| Households with earnings | 4.5 | 6.8 | 24.4 | 29.4 | 16.1 | 19.0 |
| Households without earnings | 6.7 * | 6.7 | 23.7 | 26.3 * | 15.3 | 21.5 * |
| Receipt of TANF | | | | | | |
| Yes | 3.6 | 6.2 | 20.9 | 29.9 | 18.4 | 21.1 |
| No | 6.5 * | 6.8 | 24.4 * | 26.6 * | 15.0 * | 20.7 |
| Food stamp benefit | | | | | | |
| \$10 or less | 18.1 | 2.4 | 23.8 | 17.3 | 8.2 | 30.2 |
| \$11-100 | 9.3 * | 6.4 * | 20.2 * | 23.2 * | 14.9 * | 26.0 * |
| \$101-200 | 5.2 * | 7.0 * | 23.8 | 26.0 * | 16.1 * | 22.2 * |
| \$201-300 | 3.5 * | 7.1 * | 25.0 | 30.4 * | 16.5 * | 17.6 * |
| \$301 or more | 3.6 * | 7.1 * | 27.1 | 32.4 * | 16.1 * | 13.9 * |
| Minimum benefit | 18.1 | 2.4 | 23.8 | 17.3 | 8.2 | 30.2 |
| Maximum benefit | 4.2 * | 8.2 * | 26.3 | 27.7 * | 15.3 * | 18.6 * |

¹ The monthly benefit is the amount issued in the current month. The percent redeemed does not reflect spending of benefits carried over from prior months.

* Denotes statistically significant difference in means and proportions (.05 level). Comparisons are made within table columns, relative to the first row in each subgroup category. The Bonferroni adjustment was used to control for multiplicity in the number of tests when household subgroups contain more than two categories.

Note: For each household, the regular monthly issuance date was imputed from EBT redemption patterns observed over the period from July 2002-December 2003.

Source: USDA, Fiscal Year 2003 Food Stamp Program Quality Control data and ALERT data. Matched sample excludes the following States: California, Delaware, Guam, Iowa, New Mexico, Ohio, and Pennsylvania. EBT statistics are calculated at the household level as average monthly statistics over the three months centered on the QC sample month. See Table 7 for sample sizes. This table excludes households for which issuance date could not be imputed, and case-months with multiple issuances. The sample for this table represents 71.2 percent of the full QC sample (compared with 77.3% for other tables).

Table A-17—Distribution of Households by Percent of Monthly Benefit Redeemed in the First Week After Issuance: FY2003 Matched QC-ALERT Sample
— Continued

| | Percent of benefits redeemed in first week after issuance ¹ | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|--|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------|
| | < 10% | 10-25% | 26-50% | 51-75% | 76-90% | 91-100% |
| | Percent of households | | | | | |
| Months in certification period | | | | | | |
| ≤ 6 months | 4.9% | 6.8% | 23.9% | 28.7% | 16.2% | 19.7% |
| 7-12 months | 6.5 * | 6.4 | 24.0 | 26.4 * | 15.1 | 21.7 * |
| >12 months | 9.8 * | 7.4 | 23.2 | 23.7 * | 14.3 | 21.8 |
| Geographic location | | | | | | |
| Region | | | | | | |
| Northeast | 5.1 | 7.5 | 28.2 | 25.8 | 12.5 | 21.0 |
| Mid Atlantic | 5.9 | 6.8 | 24.3 | 28.1 | 15.4 | 19.6 |
| Midwest | 6.0 | 5.6 | 21.1 | 26.8 | 17.0 | 23.7 |
| Southeast | 7.1 | 6.9 | 22.8 | 26.1 | 15.7 | 21.6 |
| Southwest | 5.6 | 6.8 | 24.4 | 28.6 | 15.7 | 19.0 |
| Mountain Plains | 7.2 | 7.4 | 24.2 | 26.8 | 14.9 | 19.7 |
| West | 6.0 | 7.9 | 27.3 | 28.4 | 14.9 | 15.6 |
| Metro/Nonmetro areas | | | | | | |
| Metropolitan | 6.2 | 6.9 | 24.1 | 27.1 | 15.2 | 20.7 |
| Nonmetro, micropolitan | 5.5 | 6.2 | 23.3 | 27.7 | 15.9 | 21.6 |
| Nonmetro, noncore | 6.1 | 5.5 * | 22.9 | 27.0 | 17.6 * | 20.9 |
| County with peristent poverty | | | | | | |
| Yes | 5.1 | 5.2 | 20.2 | 27.4 | 17.6 | 24.7 |
| No | 6.2 * | 6.9 * | 24.3 * | 27.1 | 15.3 * | 20.3 * |

¹ The monthly benefit is the amount issued in the current month. The percent redeemed does not reflect spending of benefits carried over from prior months.

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Note: For each household, the regular monthly issuance date was imputed from EBT redemption patterns observed over the period from July 2002-December 2003.

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Table A-18—Distribution of Households by Percent of Monthly Benefit Redeemed in Two Weeks After Issuance: FY2003 Matched QC-ALERT Sample

| | Percent of benefits redeemed in two weeks after issuance ¹ | | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|---|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------|
| | < 10% | 10-25% | 26-50% | 51-75% | 76-90% | 91-100% |
| | <i>Percent of households</i> | | | | | |
| All households | 1.5% | 1.1% | 8.2% | 21.2% | 20.2% | 47.8% |
| Household type | | | | | | |
| With and without children | | | | | | |
| Households with children | 0.9 | 0.8 | 6.5 | 22.0 | 22.1 | 47.8 |
| Households without children | 2.3 * | 1.4 * | 10.2 * | 20.4 * | 18.0 * | 47.7 |
| Types of households with children | | | | | | |
| Single-adult households | 0.9 | 0.8 | 6.4 | 21.2 | 22.3 | 48.5 |
| Multiple-adult households | 0.8 | 0.7 | 6.8 | 22.0 | 21.7 | 48.2 |
| Children only | 1.1 | 1.2 | 7.3 | 28.5 * | 21.5 | 40.4 * |
| All households, by type | | | | | | |
| With elderly | 2.6 | 1.4 | 13.6 | 24.4 | 18.2 | 39.8 |
| With disabled, nonelderly | 1.7 * | 1.1 | 6.1 * | 15.8 * | 18.2 | 57.1 * |
| With children, no elderly or disabled | 0.9 * | 0.8 * | 6.9 * | 23.5 | 22.7 * | 45.2 * |
| Other households | 1.8 * | 1.6 | 8.8 * | 19.7 * | 18.4 | 49.8 * |
| Household size | | | | | | |
| 1 | 2.4 | 1.4 | 10.3 | 20.6 | 17.9 | 47.4 |
| 2 | 1.1 * | 1.0 | 7.2 * | 21.0 | 21.3 * | 48.4 |
| 3 | 0.9 * | 0.8 * | 7.2 * | 22.0 | 21.9 * | 47.2 |
| 4+ | 0.8 * | 0.7 * | 6.0 * | 22.2 | 22.2 * | 48.2 |
| Race of household head | | | | | | |
| White | 1.9 | 1.2 | 9.5 | 23.3 | 21.2 | 43.0 |
| African American | 1.3 * | 1.1 | 5.7 * | 16.3 * | 18.5 * | 57.2 * |
| Hispanic | 1.1 * | 0.9 | 9.0 | 24.5 | 21.0 | 43.6 |
| Other | 1.3 | 0.7 | 10.6 | 26.9 | 21.7 | 38.8 * |
| Employment status | | | | | | |
| Households with earnings | 1.2 | 0.8 | 7.8 | 22.9 | 20.9 | 46.5 |
| Households without earnings | 1.7 * | 1.2 * | 8.4 | 20.6 * | 19.9 | 48.3 * |
| Receipt of TANF | | | | | | |
| Yes | 0.4 | 1.0 | 5.9 | 19.3 | 21.8 | 51.6 |
| No | 1.7 * | 1.1 | 8.6 * | 21.6 * | 19.9 * | 47.1 * |
| Food stamp benefit | | | | | | |
| \$10 or less | 6.0 | 0.8 | 13.6 | 12.8 | 11.2 | 55.6 |
| \$11-100 | 2.4 * | 1.4 | 8.3 * | 18.0 * | 16.6 * | 53.3 |
| \$101-200 | 1.2 * | 1.0 | 8.5 * | 20.3 * | 19.6 * | 49.4 * |
| \$201-300 | 0.6 * | 1.1 | 7.0 * | 23.1 * | 24.0 * | 44.3 * |
| \$301 or more | 1.0 * | 0.9 | 7.6 * | 26.2 * | 23.4 * | 40.9 * |
| Minimum benefit | 6.0 | 0.8 | 13.6 | 12.8 | 11.2 | 55.6 |
| Maximum benefit | 0.6 * | 0.9 | 8.9 * | 23.9 * | 22.4 * | 43.3 * |

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Note: For each household, the regular monthly issuance date was imputed from EBT redemption patterns observed over the period from July 2002-December 2003.

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**Table A-18—Distribution of Households by Percent of Monthly Benefit Redeemed in Two Weeks After Issuance:
FY2003 Matched QC-ALERT Sample
— Continued**

| | Percent of benefits redeemed in two weeks after issuance ¹ | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|---|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------|
| | < 10% | 10-25% | 26-50% | 51-75% | 76-90% | 91-100% |
| | Percent of households | | | | | |
| Months in certification period | | | | | | |
| ≤ 6 months | 1.2% | 1.0% | 7.3% | 22.2% | 21.1% | 47.2% |
| 7-12 months | 1.7 * | 1.0 | 8.7 * | 20.7 | 19.7 | 48.2 |
| >12 months | 2.4 * | 1.6 | 10.2 * | 19.7 | 18.0 * | 48.0 |
| Geographic location | | | | | | |
| Region | | | | | | |
| Northeast | 1.3 | 0.8 | 9.6 | 23.8 | 17.3 | 47.1 |
| Mid Atlantic | 1.6 | 1.0 | 8.0 | 21.4 | 20.1 | 48.0 |
| Midwest | 1.3 | 0.8 | 6.5 | 18.9 | 20.1 | 52.3 |
| Southeast | 1.9 | 1.2 | 8.3 | 20.3 | 20.5 | 47.9 |
| Southwest | 1.3 | 1.5 | 9.4 | 23.0 | 19.8 | 45.0 |
| Mountain Plains | 1.7 | 1.0 | 8.6 | 21.5 | 21.2 | 46.0 |
| West | 2.0 | 1.4 | 9.0 | 23.3 | 23.4 | 41.0 |
| Metro/Nonmetro areas | | | | | | |
| Metropolitan | 1.6 | 1.1 | 8.3 | 21.5 | 19.9 | 47.6 |
| Nonmetro, micropolitan | 1.5 | 1.0 | 7.8 | 20.8 | 21.6 | 47.3 |
| Nonmetro, noncore | 1.3 | 1.0 | 7.9 | 19.8 | 20.4 | 49.7 |
| County with peristent poverty | | | | | | |
| Yes | 0.9 | 1.0 | 6.6 | 18.7 | 19.7 | 53.1 |
| No | 1.6 * | 1.1 | 8.4 * | 21.5 * | 20.2 | 47.1 * |

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Table A-19—Average Dollar Amount of Monthly Issuance Carried Over to the Next Month, for Households Grouped by Monthly Issuance Amount: FY2003 Matched QC-ALERT Sample

| | Average dollar amount of unspent issuance ¹ | | | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|--|---|---------|----------|-----------|-----------|---------|
| | All households | Households grouped by monthly issuance amount | | | | | |
| | | < \$25 | \$26-50 | \$51-100 | \$101-200 | \$201-300 | > \$300 |
| All households | \$5.95 | \$0.64 | \$1.75 | \$2.97 | \$4.71 | \$6.65 | \$12.15 |
| Household type | | | | | | | |
| With and without children | | | | | | | |
| Households with children | 7.90 | 0.52 | 1.09 | 1.91 | 4.41 | 6.47 | 12.11 |
| Households without children | 3.62* | 0.65 | 1.83* | 3.29* | 4.88 | 8.28 | 15.77 |
| Types of households with children | | | | | | | |
| Single-adult households | 7.67 | 0.58 | 1.26 | 1.80 | 4.33 | 6.66 | 11.77 |
| Multiple-adult households | 8.36 | 0.11* | 0.72 | 1.96 | 3.66 | 5.31 | 12.29 |
| Children only | 8.27 | 0.26 | 0.60 | 2.67 | 6.00 | 7.65 | 15.56 |
| All households, by type | | | | | | | |
| With elderly | 3.78 | 0.66 | 2.13 | 3.91 | 5.77 | 9.43 | 19.88 |
| With disabled, nonelderly | 3.56 | 0.60 | 1.39* | 2.43* | 4.06* | 5.56 | 8.20 |
| With children, no elderly or disabled | 8.59* | 0.69 | 0.90* | 2.12* | 4.76 | 6.62 | 12.64 |
| Other households | 4.69* | 0.66 | 1.54 | 3.28 | 4.61* | 7.98 | 12.74 |
| Household size | | | | | | | |
| 1 | 3.61 | 0.66 | 1.83 | 3.39 | 4.96 | 15.04 | 16.75 |
| 2 | 5.22* | 0.48 | 1.66 | 2.09* | 4.67 | 6.73* | 17.29 |
| 3 | 8.09* | 0.42 | 0.68* | 1.30* | 4.51 | 6.79* | 11.61 |
| 4+ | 9.46* | 1.16 | 1.17 | 2.34 | 3.23* | 5.44* | 12.24 |
| Race of household head | | | | | | | |
| White | 6.05 | 0.64 | 1.85 | 3.10 | 5.39 | 7.38 | 12.90 |
| African American | 4.65* | 0.62 | 1.43* | 2.88 | 3.63* | 5.05* | 8.40* |
| Hispanic | 8.33* | 0.65 | 2.12 | 2.43 | 4.96 | 8.05 | 18.60* |
| Other | 7.13 | 0.96 | 1.44 | 3.56 | 5.32 | 6.79 | 13.37 |
| Employment status | | | | | | | |
| Households with earnings | 7.40 | 0.75 | 1.12 | 2.62 | 4.97 | 7.16 | 13.15 |
| Households without earnings | 5.36* | 0.62 | 1.82* | 3.06 | 4.60 | 6.31 | 11.57 |
| Receipt of TANF | | | | | | | |
| Yes | 7.53 | 0.26 | 1.13 | 1.66 | 3.91 | 5.48 | 11.76 |
| No | 5.66* | 0.64* | 1.77* | 3.05* | 4.79 | 7.07* | 12.31 |
| Food stamp benefit | | | | | | | |
| \$10 or less | 0.40 | 0.40 | — | — | — | — | — |
| \$11-100 | 2.35* | 0.97* | 1.75 | 2.98 | — | — | — |
| \$101-200 | 4.72* | — | — | — | 4.66 | — | — |
| \$201-300 | 6.55* | — | — | — | — | 6.56 | — |
| \$301 or more | 12.28* | — | — | — | — | — | 12.29 |
| Minimum benefit | 0.40 | 0.40 | — | — | — | — | — |
| Maximum benefit | 6.55* | — | — | — | 4.28 | 6.71 | 11.60 |

¹ Unspent issuance is the amount of issuance unredeemed each month, taken as the maximum of zero and (issuance - redemption). This measure ignores unspent issuance from prior months. Issuance months are defined for each household to begin on their issuance day.

— Not applicable.

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Note: For each household, the regular monthly issuance date was imputed from EBT redemption patterns observed over the period from July 2002-December 2003.

Source: USDA, Fiscal Year 2003 Food Stamp Program Quality Control data and ALERT data. Matched sample excludes the following States: California, Delaware, Guam, Iowa, New Mexico, Ohio, and Pennsylvania. EBT statistics are calculated at the household level as average monthly statistics over the three months centered on the QC sample month. See Table 7 for sample sizes. This table excludes households for which issuance date could not be imputed, and case-months with multiple issuances. The sample for this table represents 71.2 percent of the full QC sample (compared with 77.3% for other tables).

Table A-19—Average Dollar Amount of Monthly Issuance Carried Over to the Next Month, for Households Grouped by Monthly Issuance Amount: FY2003 Matched QC-ALERT Sample
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| | Average dollar amount of unspent issuance ¹ | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|--|---|---------|----------|-----------|-----------|---------|
| | All households | Households grouped by monthly issuance amount | | | | | |
| | | < \$25 | \$26-50 | \$51-100 | \$101-200 | \$201-300 | > \$300 |
| | | | | | | | |
| Months in certification period | | | | | | | |
| ≤ 6 months | \$7.93 | \$0.82 | \$1.40 | \$2.72 | \$4.74 | \$6.96 | \$14.06 |
| 7-12 months | 4.51* | 0.59 | 1.73 | 2.88 | 4.74 | 6.23 | 8.31* |
| >12 months | 3.29* | 0.68 | 1.90 | 3.49 | 4.17 | 5.54 | 18.26 |
| | | | | | | | |
| Geographic location | | | | | | | |
| Region | | | | | | | |
| Northeast | 4.32 | 0.36 | 1.30 | 2.36 | 4.11 | 5.04 | 8.54 |
| Mid Atlantic | 3.62 | 0.77 | 1.29 | 2.55 | 3.70 | 4.70 | 6.05 |
| Midwest | 4.42 | 0.60 | 1.65 | 2.45 | 3.83 | 4.92 | 8.75 |
| Southeast | 5.67 | 0.71 | 1.62 | 3.18 | 4.44 | 6.75 | 11.12 |
| Southwest | 11.14 | 0.62 | 2.15 | 4.61 | 7.90 | 10.83 | 21.03 |
| Mountain Plains | 5.71 | 0.81 | 1.78 | 3.15 | 4.50 | 7.47 | 10.71 |
| West | 5.84 | 0.71 | 2.45 | 2.87 | 5.03 | 6.44 | 10.27 |
| | | | | | | | |
| Metro/Nonmetro areas | | | | | | | |
| Metropolitan | 6.14 | 0.63 | 1.66 | 2.86 | 4.71 | 6.80 | 12.70 |
| Nonmetro, micropolitan | 5.46 | 0.60 | 2.07 | 3.56 | 4.53 | 5.92 | 10.51 |
| Nonmetro, noncore | 5.24 | 0.71 | 1.85 | 3.02 | 4.93 | 6.41 | 9.97 |
| | | | | | | | |
| County with peristent poverty | | | | | | | |
| Yes | 6.73 | 0.60 | 1.93 | 4.00 | 5.36 | 7.36 | 12.52 |
| No | 5.85 | 0.64 | 1.72 | 2.86* | 4.64 | 6.55 | 12.07 |

¹ Unspent issuance is the amount of issuance unredeemed each month, taken as the maximum of zero and (issuance - redemption). This measure ignores unspent issuance from prior months. Issuance months are defined for each household to begin on their issuance day.

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[†] Denotes individual estimates not meeting the standards of reliability or precision due to inadequate cell size or large coefficient of variation.

Note: For each household, the regular monthly issuance date was imputed from EBT redemption patterns observed over the period from July 2002-December 2003.

Source: USDA, Fiscal Year 2003 Food Stamp Program Quality Control data and ALERT data. Matched sample excludes the following States: California, Delaware, Guam, Iowa, New Mexico, Ohio, and Pennsylvania. EBT statistics are calculated at the household level as average monthly statistics over the three months centered on the QC sample month. See Table 7 for sample sizes. This table excludes households for which issuance date could not be imputed, and case-months with multiple issuances. The sample for this table represents 71.2 percent of the full QC sample (compared with 77.3% for other tables).

Table A-20—Distribution of Households by Amount of Monthly Issuance Carried Over to the Next Month: FY2003 Matched QC-ALERT Sample

| | Dollar amount of unspent issuance ¹ | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|--|--------|---------|---------|--------|
| | < \$1 | \$1-10 | \$11-25 | \$26-50 | > \$50 |
| | Percent of households | | | | |
| All households | 50.8% | 36.8% | 6.3% | 3.4% | 2.7% |
| Household type | | | | | |
| With and without children | | | | | |
| Households with children | 49.4 | 35.8 | 6.4 | 4.3 | 4.2 |
| Households without children | 52.6 * | 38.0 * | 6.2 | 2.3 * | 0.9 * |
| Types of households with children | | | | | |
| Single-adult households | 49.1 | 36.4 | 6.4 | 4.4 | 3.8 |
| Multiple-adult households | 50.7 | 34.2 | 6.0 | 4.2 | 4.9 |
| Children only | 46.6 | 36.7 | 7.6 | 4.4 | 4.6 |
| All households, by type | | | | | |
| With elderly | 49.4 | 40.6 | 7.1 | 2.1 | 0.9 |
| With disabled, nonelderly | 56.0 * | 36.3 * | 4.4 * | 2.1 | 1.3 |
| With children, no elderly or disabled | 48.0 | 35.9 * | 6.9 | 4.7 * | 4.5 * |
| Other households | 52.6 * | 35.3 * | 7.0 | 3.6 * | 1.6 |
| Household size | | | | | |
| 1 | 52.2 | 38.1 | 6.5 | 2.4 | 0.8 |
| 2 | 51.0 | 36.8 | 6.2 | 3.8 * | 2.2 * |
| 3 | 49.3 * | 35.6 * | 6.1 | 4.6 * | 4.3 * |
| 4+ | 49.0 * | 35.2 * | 6.3 | 4.2 * | 5.4 * |
| Race of household head | | | | | |
| White | 47.9 | 39.1 | 7.0 | 3.6 | 2.4 |
| African American | 56.3 * | 33.9 * | 5.1 * | 2.7 * | 2.1 |
| Hispanic | 48.5 | 36.2 * | 6.3 | 4.2 | 4.7 * |
| Other | 45.4 | 38.7 | 9.1 | 3.9 | 2.9 |
| Employment status | | | | | |
| Households with earnings | 48.3 | 36.9 | 6.5 | 4.4 | 4.0 |
| Households without earnings | 51.8 * | 36.8 | 6.2 | 3.0 * | 2.1 * |
| Receipt of TANF | | | | | |
| Yes | 52.8 | 33.5 | 5.9 | 3.8 | 4.0 |
| No | 50.5 * | 37.4 * | 6.4 | 3.4 | 2.4 * |
| Food stamp benefit | | | | | |
| \$10 or less | 75.8 | 24.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| \$11-100 | 53.1 * | 41.0 * | 4.7 * | 1.1 * | 0.1 * |
| \$101-200 | 50.1 * | 37.5 * | 7.1 * | 3.7 * | 1.6 * |
| \$201-300 | 48.6 * | 36.2 * | 7.2 * | 4.5 * | 3.4 * |
| \$301 or more | 46.1 * | 34.3 * | 7.4 * | 5.3 * | 7.0 * |
| Minimum benefit | 75.8 | 24.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Maximum benefit | 48.1 * | 36.5 * | 8.2 * | 4.3 * | 2.9 * |

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Note: For each household, the regular monthly issuance date was imputed from EBT redemption patterns observed over the period from July 2002-December 2003.

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**Table A-20—Distribution of Households by Amount of Monthly Issuance Carried Over to the Next Month: FY2003
Matched QC-ALERT Sample
— Continued**

| | Dollar amount of unspent issuance ¹ | | | | |
|--------------------------------|--|--------|---------|---------|--------|
| | < \$1 | \$1-10 | \$11-25 | \$26-50 | > \$50 |
| | Percent of households | | | | |
| Months in certification period | | | | | |
| ≤ 6 months | 49.3% | 35.5% | 6.6% | 4.5% | 4.2% |
| 7-12 months | 52.0 * | 37.4 * | 6.2 | 2.7 * | 1.6 * |
| >12 months | 52.0 | 40.2 * | 5.6 | 1.7 * | 0.5 * |
| Geographic location | | | | | |
| Region | | | | | |
| Northeast | 53.0 | 35.7 | 6.8 | 3.1 | 1.4 |
| Mid Atlantic | 55.1 | 36.5 | 5.0 | 2.3 | 1.0 |
| Midwest | 51.4 | 38.5 | 5.8 | 2.8 | 1.5 |
| Southeast | 52.4 | 35.8 | 6.2 | 3.3 | 2.2 |
| Southwest | 48.5 | 31.9 | 7.2 | 5.4 | 7.0 |
| Mountain Plains | 48.0 | 39.7 | 6.4 | 3.5 | 2.3 |
| West | 46.3 | 41.2 | 6.9 | 3.2 | 2.3 |
| Metro/Nonmetro areas | | | | | |
| Metropolitan | 51.4 | 36.0 | 6.3 | 3.4 | 2.9 |
| Nonmetro, micropolitan | 48.6 * | 39.2 * | 6.6 | 3.5 | 2.1 * |
| Nonmetro, noncore | 49.7 | 38.9 * | 6.0 | 3.3 | 2.2 |
| County with peristent poverty | | | | | |
| Yes | 52.0 | 34.9 | 6.0 | 2.8 | 4.2 |
| No | 50.7 | 37.0 * | 6.3 | 3.5 | 2.5 * |

¹ Unspent issuance is the amount of issuance unredeemed each month, taken as the maximum of zero and (issuance - redemption). This measure ignores unspent issuance from prior months. Issuance months are defined for each household to begin on their issuance day.

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Note: For each household, the regular monthly issuance date was imputed from EBT redemption patterns observed over the period from July 2002-December 2003.

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Table A-21—Average EBT Balance at the End of the Issuance Month, for Households Grouped by Monthly Issuance Amount: FY2003 Matched QC-ALERT Sample

| | Average monthly ending balance ¹ | | | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|---|---|---------|----------|-----------|-----------|---------|
| | All households | Households grouped by monthly issuance amount | | | | | |
| | | < \$25 | \$26-50 | \$51-100 | \$101-200 | \$201-300 | > \$300 |
| All households | \$13.16 | \$2.52 | \$4.68 | \$8.56 | \$11.86 | \$15.13 | \$22.67 |
| Household type | | | | | | | |
| With and without children | | | | | | | |
| Households with children | 15.64 | 2.70 | 2.84 | 4.65 | 8.23 | 14.72 | 22.58 |
| Households without children | 10.19* | 2.50 | 4.90* | 9.73* | 13.97* | 18.71 | 30.29 |
| Types of households with children | | | | | | | |
| Single-adult households | 14.99 | 2.97 | 3.52 | 3.48 | 8.62 | 15.90 | 20.22 |
| Multiple-adult households | 17.54 | 0.96 | 1.35 | 7.67 | 6.27 | 11.26* | 25.89 |
| Children only | 14.49 | 0.92 | 1.04* | 5.43 | 9.90 | 12.79 | 29.08 |
| All households, by type | | | | | | | |
| With elderly | 13.04 | 2.52 | 5.92 | 12.77 | 22.61 | 28.66 | 57.66 |
| With disabled, nonelderly | 9.53* | 2.57 | 3.44* | 6.80* | 10.57* | 14.01 | 22.04 |
| With children, no elderly or disabled | 16.28* | 3.41 | 2.97* | 3.84* | 9.08* | 14.66 | 22.29 |
| Other households | 9.84* | 1.01* | 2.11* | 8.15* | 9.82* | 14.64 | 21.35 |
| Household size | | | | | | | |
| 1 | 10.31 | 2.40 | 5.00 | 9.92 | 14.13 | 35.58 | 45.61 |
| 2 | 11.86 | 3.34 | 3.72 | 5.35* | 9.62* | 16.01 | 28.21 |
| 3 | 15.54* | 1.22* | 3.43 | 3.72* | 7.86* | 14.79 | 21.35 |
| 4+ | 17.99* | 3.14 | 2.10* | 6.72 | 5.63* | 11.39 | 22.99 |
| Race of household head | | | | | | | |
| White | 15.43 | 2.51 | 5.68 | 10.33 | 14.75 | 19.69 | 27.64 |
| African American | 9.28* | 2.68 | 3.52* | 5.91* | 7.96* | 9.93* | 15.35* |
| Hispanic | 13.37 | 2.26 | 3.59 | 6.28* | 9.36* | 13.98* | 26.03 |
| Other | 19.79 | 1.60 | 4.36 | 12.07 | 20.99 | 16.68 | 30.52 |
| Employment status | | | | | | | |
| Households with earnings | 15.28 | 3.01 | 3.80 | 6.48 | 9.86 | 15.59 | 26.17 |
| Households without earnings | 12.30* | 2.45 | 4.78 | 9.10* | 12.64* | 14.82 | 20.62* |
| Receipt of TANF | | | | | | | |
| Yes | 14.65 | 1.86 | 2.42 | 5.51 | 8.15 | 13.89 | 19.90 |
| No | 12.89 | 2.53 | 4.74* | 8.74 | 12.24* | 15.57 | 23.80 |
| Food stamp benefit | | | | | | | |
| \$10 or less | 1.99 | 1.99 | — | — | — | — | — |
| \$11-100 | 6.53* | 3.25 | 4.68 | 8.47 | — | — | — |
| \$101-200 | 11.89* | — | — | — | 11.83 | — | — |
| \$201-300 | 15.08* | — | — | — | — | 15.09 | — |
| \$301 or more | 22.86* | — | — | — | — | — | 22.87 |
| Minimum benefit | 1.99 | 1.99 | — | — | — | — | — |
| Maximum benefit | 16.55* | — | — | — | 13.06 | 15.91 | 25.10 |

¹ The monthly ending balance is the EBT account balance at the time of the next issuance. **This measure reflects the long-run cumulation of unspent issuance from all prior months.**

— Not applicable.

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Table A-21—Average EBT Balance at the End of the Issuance Month, for Households Grouped by Monthly Issuance Amount: FY2003 Matched QC-ALERT Sample
— Continued

| | Average monthly ending balance ¹ | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|---|---|---------|----------|-----------|-----------|---------|
| | All households | Households grouped by monthly issuance amount | | | | | |
| | | < \$25 | \$26-50 | \$51-100 | \$101-200 | \$201-300 | > \$300 |
| | | | | | | | |
| Months in certification period | | | | | | | |
| ≤ 6 months | \$15.33 | \$2.74 | \$3.12 | \$6.60 | \$9.93 | \$14.57 | \$25.10 |
| 7-12 months | 11.96* | 2.64 | 4.94 | 8.90 | 13.89 | 16.13 | 17.97* |
| >12 months | 8.73* | 2.11 | 4.73 | 9.85 | 13.21 | 15.99 | 24.88 |
| | | | | | | | |
| Geographic location | | | | | | | |
| Region | | | | | | | |
| Northeast | 13.73 | 2.56 | 3.50 | 7.36 | 16.63 | 11.80 | 20.28 |
| Mid Atlantic | 9.17 | 2.24 | 4.31 | 8.14 | 10.00 | 11.19 | 12.92 |
| Midwest | 10.29 | 2.66 | 5.39 | 7.35 | 9.87 | 10.61 | 17.60 |
| Southeast | 13.74 | 2.65 | 3.36 | 9.17 | 10.34 | 21.05 | 22.36 |
| Southwest | 17.83 | 2.28 | 4.81 | 10.73 | 13.04 | 19.43 | 30.25 |
| Mountain Plains | 13.63 | 2.40 | 4.59 | 9.12 | 10.97 | 16.99 | 24.72 |
| West | 14.57 | 2.48 | 4.81 | 9.37 | 11.93 | 15.15 | 26.20 |
| | | | | | | | |
| Metro/Nonmetro areas | | | | | | | |
| Metropolitan | 13.24 | 2.30 | 4.44 | 7.40 | 12.19 | 15.13 | 22.82 |
| Nonmetro, micropolitan | 13.15 | 2.07 | 5.20 | 12.47 | 10.92 | 14.62 | 22.44 |
| Nonmetro, noncore | 12.03 | 3.98 | 5.32 | 11.11 | 10.23 | 15.71 | 19.02 |
| | | | | | | | |
| County with peristent poverty | | | | | | | |
| Yes | 11.48 | 3.92 | 4.07 | 11.15 | 7.65 | 13.45 | 19.32 |
| No | 13.29 | 2.36 | 4.79 | 8.22 | 12.29* | 15.33 | 22.83 |

¹ The monthly ending balance is the EBT account balance at the time of the next issuance. **This measure reflects the long-run cumulation of unspent issuance from all prior months.**

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Table A-22—Distribution of Households by EBT Balance at the End of the Issuance Month: FY2003 Matched QC-ALERT Sample

| | Monthly ending balance ¹ | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------|---------|---------|--------|
| | < \$1 | \$1-10 | \$11-25 | \$26-50 | > \$50 |
| | <i>Percent of households</i> | | | | |
| All households | 35.4% | 46.5% | 7.6% | 4.3% | 6.2% |
| Household type | | | | | |
| With and without children | | | | | |
| Households with children | 33.9 | 46.7 | 7.0 | 4.4 | 8.0 |
| Households without children | 37.3 * | 46.2 | 8.2 * | 4.1 | 4.2 * |
| Types of households with children | | | | | |
| Single-adult households | 34.4 | 46.7 | 6.9 | 4.4 | 7.6 |
| Multiple-adult households | 33.4 | 46.4 | 6.7 | 4.8 | 8.8 |
| Children only | 31.2 | 47.6 | 9.0 | 4.0 | 8.3 |
| All households, by type | | | | | |
| With elderly | 34.5 | 46.7 | 9.0 | 5.0 | 4.8 |
| With disabled, nonelderly | 39.9 * | 47.1 | 6.2 * | 2.8 * | 4.1 |
| With children, no elderly or disabled | 32.7 | 46.7 | 7.5 * | 4.8 | 8.4 * |
| Other households | 37.7 * | 44.6 | 8.4 | 4.2 | 5.1 |
| Household size | | | | | |
| 1 | 37.2 | 46.3 | 8.3 | 4.0 | 4.3 |
| 2 | 35.2 | 46.9 | 7.8 | 4.1 | 6.0 * |
| 3 | 33.1 * | 46.7 | 7.1 | 4.7 | 8.4 * |
| 4+ | 34.2 * | 46.3 | 6.3 * | 4.7 | 8.6 * |
| Race of household head | | | | | |
| White | 31.9 | 47.5 | 9.0 | 4.6 | 6.9 |
| African American | 41.0 * | 45.4 * | 5.8 * | 3.1 * | 4.7 * |
| Hispanic | 35.0 * | 45.7 | 7.1 * | 4.8 | 7.4 |
| Other | 30.6 | 46.5 | 9.1 | 6.9 | 7.0 |
| Employment status | | | | | |
| Households with earnings | 31.8 | 47.8 | 7.6 | 4.8 | 8.0 |
| Households without earnings | 36.9 * | 46.0 * | 7.5 | 4.0 * | 5.5 * |
| Receipt of TANF | | | | | |
| Yes | 38.8 | 44.0 | 6.2 | 3.5 | 7.6 |
| No | 34.8 * | 47.0 * | 7.8 * | 4.4 * | 6.0 * |
| Food stamp benefit | | | | | |
| \$10 or less | 54.5 | 42.3 | 2.8 | 0.2 | 0.3 |
| \$11-100 | 37.8 * | 49.3 * | 7.3 * | 3.3 * | 2.2 * |
| \$101-200 | 35.5 * | 46.1 | 8.3 * | 4.5 * | 5.6 * |
| \$201-300 | 32.2 * | 46.6 * | 8.1 * | 5.1 * | 8.1 * |
| \$301 or more | 31.7 * | 44.8 | 7.3 * | 5.1 * | 11.1 * |
| Minimum benefit | 54.5 | 42.3 | 2.8 | 0.2 | 0.3 |
| Maximum benefit | 33.0 * | 45.4 | 8.7 * | 5.4 * | 7.5 * |

¹ The monthly ending balance is the EBT account balance at the time of the next issuance. **This measure reflects the long-run cumulation of unspent issuance from all prior months.**

* Denotes statistically significant difference in means and proportions (.05 level). Comparisons are made within table columns, relative to the first row in each subgroup category. The Bonferroni adjustment was used to control for multiplicity in the number of tests when household subgroups contain more than two categories.

† Denotes individual estimates not meeting the standards of reliability or precision due to inadequate cell size or large coefficient of variation.

Note: For each household, the regular monthly issuance date was imputed from EBT redemption patterns observed over the period from July 2002-December 2003.

Source: USDA, Fiscal Year 2003 Food Stamp Program Quality Control data and ALERT data. Matched sample excludes the following States: California, Delaware, Guam, Iowa, New Mexico, Ohio, and Pennsylvania. EBT statistics are calculated at the household level as average monthly statistics over the three months centered on the QC sample month. See Table 7 for sample sizes. This table excludes households for which issuance date could not be imputed, and case-months with multiple issuances. The sample for this table represents 71.2 percent of the full QC sample (compared with 77.3% for other tables).

Table A-22—Distribution of Households by EBT Balance at the End of the Issuance Month: FY2003 Matched QC-ALERT Sample
— Continued

| | Monthly ending balance ¹ | | | | |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------|---------|---------|--------|
| | < \$1 | \$1-10 | \$11-25 | \$26-50 | > \$50 |
| | Percent of households | | | | |
| Months in certification period | | | | | |
| ≤ 6 months | 33.9% | 46.2% | 7.3% | 4.8% | 7.8% |
| 7-12 months | 36.7 * | 46.6 | 7.6 | 3.7 * | 5.4 * |
| >12 months | 36.6 | 47.7 | 8.5 | 4.5 | 2.7 * |
| Geographic location | | | | | |
| Region | | | | | |
| Northeast | 38.8 | 42.9 | 7.5 | 4.1 | 6.7 |
| Mid Atlantic | 39.8 | 45.9 | 6.8 | 3.4 | 4.2 |
| Midwest | 35.1 | 49.7 | 7.3 | 3.6 | 4.2 |
| Southeast | 37.6 | 44.5 | 7.6 | 4.2 | 6.2 |
| Southwest | 33.1 | 43.2 | 7.6 | 5.7 | 10.4 |
| Mountain Plains | 32.2 | 48.4 | 8.5 | 5.0 | 5.8 |
| West | 31.8 | 49.4 | 8.1 | 4.2 | 6.4 |
| Metro/Nonmetro areas | | | | | |
| Metropolitan | 36.6 | 45.3 | 7.4 | 4.3 | 6.4 |
| Nonmetro, micropolitan | 31.9 * | 50.0 * | 8.4 | 3.9 | 5.8 |
| Nonmetro, noncore | 32.2 * | 49.9 * | 7.9 | 4.6 | 5.4 |
| County with peristent poverty | | | | | |
| Yes | 36.3 | 46.8 | 6.6 | 4.4 | 6.0 |
| No | 35.4 | 46.4 | 7.7 * | 4.2 | 6.3 |

¹ The monthly ending balance is the EBT account balance at the time of the next issuance. **This measure reflects the long-run cumulation of unspent issuance from all prior months.**

* Denotes statistically significant difference in means and proportions (.05 level). Comparisons are made within table columns, relative to the first row in each subgroup category. The Bonferroni adjustment was used to control for multiplicity in the number of tests when household subgroups contain more than two categories.

Note: For each household, the regular monthly issuance date was imputed from EBT redemption patterns observed over the period from July 2002-December 2003.

Source: USDA, Fiscal Year 2003 Food Stamp Program Quality Control data and ALERT data. Matched sample excludes the following States: California, Delaware, Guam, Iowa, New Mexico, Ohio, and Pennsylvania. EBT statistics are calculated at the household level as average monthly statistics over the three months centered on the QC sample month. See Table 7 for sample sizes. This table excludes households for which issuance date could not be imputed, and case-months with multiple issuances. The sample for this table represents 71.2 percent of the full QC sample (compared with 77.3% for other tables).

**Table A-23—Prevalence of EBT Purchase Inactivity, for Households Grouped by Monthly Issuance Amount:
FY2003 Matched QC-ALERT Sample**

| | | Percent of households ever inactive during FY2003 ¹ | | | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|--------|--|---|---------|----------|-----------|-----------|--------|
| | | All households | Households grouped by monthly issuance amount | | | | | |
| | | | <\$25 | \$26-50 | \$51-100 | \$101-200 | \$201-300 | >\$300 |
| All households | 8.5% | 33.8% | 14.8% | 9.5% | 5.7% | 4.1% | 3.8% | |
| Household type | | | | | | | | |
| With and without children | | | | | | | | |
| Households with children | 4.6 | 18.7 | 8.7 | 6.7 | 5.3 | 4.2 | 3.8 | |
| Households without children | 13.0 * | 35.0 * | 15.5 * | 10.3 * | 6.0 | 3.3 | 2.4 | |
| Types of households with children | | | | | | | | |
| Single-adult households | 4.7 | 21.1 | 8.8 | 6.7 | 5.2 | 4.3 | 3.6 | |
| Multiple-adult households | 4.0 | 3.0 * | 6.0 | 3.6 | 4.5 | 3.4 | 4.1 | |
| Children only | 6.3 | 7.8 | 18.8 | 16.4 | 6.8 | 5.6 | 3.0 | |
| All households, by type | | | | | | | | |
| With elderly | 16.8 | 38.8 | 16.2 | 11.1 | 7.0 | 2.0 | 3.8 | |
| With disabled, nonelderly | 10.2 * | 31.0 * | 14.0 | 8.2 | 5.9 | 3.7 | 2.7 | |
| With children, no elderly or disabled | 4.8 * | 19.2 * | 9.8 | 8.4 | 5.8 | 4.3 | 3.9 | |
| Other households | 5.7 * | 12.5 * | 8.8 | 10.7 | 5.0 | 4.5 | 2.4 | |
| Household size | | | | | | | | |
| 1 | 13.4 | 35.1 | 15.4 | 10.7 | 6.2 | 4.0 | 5.2 | |
| 2 | 7.0 * | 27.3 * | 15.0 | 7.9 | 5.7 | 4.4 | 4.9 | |
| 3 | 4.2 * | 15.0 * | 5.3 * | 4.4 * | 3.6 * | 3.9 | 4.4 | |
| 4+ | 3.7 * | 3.8 * | 5.0 * | 3.8 * | 5.0 | 3.6 | 3.4 | |
| Race of household head | | | | | | | | |
| White | 9.9 | 38.4 | 17.6 | 9.6 | 5.4 | 3.6 | 3.7 | |
| African American | 7.3 * | 26.9 * | 10.1 * | 9.2 | 6.0 | 5.0 | 3.4 | |
| Hispanic | 7.4 * | 28.9 | 14.7 | 9.7 | 6.1 | 4.0 | 4.6 | |
| Other | 7.2 * | 24.2 | 18.6 | 9.9 | 6.2 | 3.0 | 4.4 | |
| Employment status | | | | | | | | |
| Households with earnings | 6.0 | 26.6 | 12.3 | 9.0 | 5.9 | 3.7 | 4.2 | |
| Households without earnings | 9.5 * | 34.7 * | 15.1 | 9.6 | 5.7 | 4.4 | 3.5 | |
| Receipt of TANF | | | | | | | | |
| Yes | 3.6 | 13.3 | 2.8 | 7.4 | 3.7 | 3.5 | 3.1 | |
| No | 9.3 * | 34.2 * | 15.1 * | 9.6 | 6.0 * | 4.3 | 4.0 | |
| Food stamp benefit | | | | | | | | |
| \$10 or less | 38.9 | 38.9 | — | — | — | — | — | |
| \$11-100 | 13.6 * | 26.5 * | 14.8 | 9.5 | — | — | — | |
| \$101-200 | 5.7 * | — | — | — | 5.7 | — | — | |
| \$201-300 | 4.1 * | — | — | — | — | 4.1 | — | |
| \$301 or more | 3.8 * | — | — | — | — | — | 3.8 | |
| Minimum benefit | 38.9 | 38.9 | — | — | — | — | — | |
| Maximum benefit | 4.6 * | — | — | — | 4.9 | 4.1 | 4.2 | |
| Months in certification period | | | | | | | | |
| ≤ 6 months | 5.3 | 23.8 | 11.8 | 7.8 | 5.1 | 4.2 | 4.4 | |
| 7-12 months | 10.3 * | 34.4 * | 16.5 | 10.0 | 6.3 | 3.8 | 2.6 * | |
| >12 months | 14.6 * | 37.5 * | 12.9 | 10.2 | 6.8 | 6.5 | 2.7 | |

¹ Households are identified as "ever inactive" if issuance was received but no purchase transactions were made during any month.

— Not applicable.

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Source: USDA, Fiscal Year 2003 Food Stamp Program Quality Control data and ALERT data. Matched sample excludes the following States: California, Delaware, Guam, Iowa, New Mexico, Ohio, and Pennsylvania. Household-level EBT statistics are calculated as average monthly statistics over the three months centered on the QC sample month. See Table 7 for sample sizes.

**Table A-23—Prevalence of EBT Purchase Inactivity, for Households Grouped by Monthly Issuance Amount:
FY2003 Matched QC-ALERT Sample
— Continued**

| | | Percent of households ever inactive during FY2003 ¹ | | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|--|--|---|---------|----------|-----------|-----------|--------|
| | | All households | Households grouped by monthly issuance amount | | | | | |
| | | | <\$25 | \$26-50 | \$51-100 | \$101-200 | \$201-300 | >\$300 |
| Geographic location | | | | | | | | |
| Region | | | | | | | | |
| Northeast | | 9.2% | 34.8% | 17.4% | 11.2% | 7.3% | 3.2% | 2.5% |
| Mid Atlantic | | 10.5 | 33.7 | 16.0 | 9.9 | 7.0 | 4.9 | 5.5 |
| Midwest | | 8.4 | 34.2 | 13.2 | 8.5 | 4.8 | 4.3 | 3.8 |
| Southeast | | 8.9 | 31.8 | 15.9 | 11.6 | 6.2 | 4.6 | 4.1 |
| Southwest | | 6.8 | 29.2 | 12.6 | 9.5 | 4.0 | 4.1 | 3.6 |
| Mountain Plains | | 9.3 | 38.2 | 19.5 | 7.8 | 5.1 | 3.8 | 3.1 |
| West | | 7.6 | 38.2 | 19.6 | 8.0 | 6.1 | 3.3 | 4.0 |
| Metro/Nonmetro areas | | | | | | | | |
| Metropolitan | | 8.6 | 32.2 | 14.9 | 9.6 | 6.4 | 4.5 | 4.2 |
| Nonmetro, micropolitan | | 8.3 | 35.8 | 16.3 | 9.7 | 3.9 * | 3.0 | 2.4 |
| Nonmetro, noncore | | 8.1 | 38.9 | 12.5 | 8.4 | 2.3 * | 2.7 | 2.1 * |
| County with peristent poverty | | | | | | | | |
| Yes | | 6.3 | 25.5 | 13.4 | 8.3 | 2.2 | 3.4 | 3.4 |
| No | | 8.7 * | 34.7 * | 15.0 | 9.6 | 6.1 * | 4.2 | 3.8 |

¹ Households are identified as "ever inactive" if issuance was received but no purchase transactions were made during any month.

* Denotes statistically significant difference in means and proportions (.05 level). Comparisons are made within table columns, relative to the first row in each subgroup category. The Bonferroni adjustment was used to control for multiplicity in the number of tests when household subgroups contain more than two categories.

Source: USDA, Fiscal Year 2003 Food Stamp Program Quality Control data and ALERT data. Matched sample excludes the following States: California, Delaware, Guam, Iowa, New Mexico, Ohio, and Pennsylvania. Household-level EBT statistics are calculated as average monthly statistics over the three months centered on the QC sample month. See Table 7 for sample sizes.

Table A-24—Distribution of Households by Months of EBT Purchase Inactivity: FY2003 Matched QC-ALERT Sample

| | Percent of households by number of months of inactivity | | | Percent of households with consecutive months of inactivity |
|---------------------------------------|---|--------|---------------|---|
| | Zero | One | More than one | |
| All households | 91.5% | 6.3% | 2.2% | 0.7% |
| Household type | | | | |
| With and without children | | | | |
| Households with children | 95.4 | 4.2 | 0.4 | 0.1 |
| Households without children | 87.0 * | 8.7 * | 4.3 * | 1.4 * |
| Types of households with children | | | | |
| Single-adult households | 95.3 | 4.3 | 0.4 | ° 0.1 |
| Multiple-adult households | 96.0 | 3.7 | 0.3 | ° 0.2 |
| Children only | 93.7 | 5.8 | ° 0.5 | ° 0.2 |
| All households, by type | | | | |
| With elderly | 83.2 | 10.4 | 6.4 | 2.1 |
| With disabled, nonelderly | 89.8 * | 7.2 * | 3.0 * | 1.0 * |
| With children, no elderly or disabled | 95.2 * | 4.4 * | 0.4 * | 0.1 * |
| Other households | 94.3 * | 5.0 * | 0.7 * | ° 0.3 * |
| Household size | | | | |
| 1 | 86.6 | 8.9 | 4.5 | 1.4 |
| 2 | 93.0 * | 5.8 * | 1.2 * | 0.4 * |
| 3 | 95.8 * | 3.9 * | 0.2 * | ° 0.1 * |
| 4+ | 96.3 * | 3.5 * | 0.2 * | ° 0.1 * |
| Race of household head | | | | |
| White | 90.1 | 6.8 | 3.1 | 0.9 |
| African American | 92.7 * | 5.9 * | 1.4 * | 0.4 * |
| Hispanic | 92.6 * | 6.0 | 1.4 * | 0.8 |
| Other | 92.8 * | 6.0 | 1.2 * | ° 0.3 * |
| Employment status | | | | |
| Households with earnings | 94.0 | 5.1 | 0.9 | 0.2 |
| Households without earnings | 90.5 * | 6.8 * | 2.7 * | 0.9 * |
| Receipt of TANF | | | | |
| Yes | 96.4 | 3.4 | ° 0.2 | ° 0.0 |
| No | 90.7 * | 6.8 * | 2.5 * | 0.8 * |
| Food stamp benefit | | | | |
| \$10 or less | 61.1 | 18.7 | 20.2 | 6.5 |
| \$11-100 | 86.4 * | 10.0 * | 3.6 * | 1.2 * |
| \$101-200 | 94.3 * | 4.9 * | 0.9 * | 0.3 * |
| \$201-300 | 95.9 * | 3.9 * | 0.2 * | ° 0.0 * |
| \$301 or more | 96.2 * | 3.6 * | ° 0.2 * | ° 0.1 * |
| Minimum benefit | 61.1 | 18.7 | 20.2 | 6.5 |
| Maximum benefit | 95.4 * | 4.0 * | 0.6 * | 0.2 * |
| Months in certification period | | | | |
| ≤ 6 months | 94.7 | 4.8 | 0.6 | 0.2 |
| 7-12 months | 89.7 * | 7.1 * | 3.2 * | 1.0 * |
| >12 months | 85.4 * | 9.4 * | 5.1 * | 1.8 * |

* Denotes statistically significant difference in means and proportions (.05 level). Comparisons are made within table columns, relative to the first row in each subgroup category. The Bonferroni adjustment was used to control for multiplicity in the number of tests when household subgroups contain more than two categories.

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Source: USDA, Fiscal Year 2003 Food Stamp Program Quality Control data and ALERT data. Matched sample excludes the following States: California, Delaware, Guam, Iowa, New Mexico, Ohio, and Pennsylvania. Household-level EBT statistics are calculated as average monthly statistics over the three months centered on the QC sample month. See Table 7 for sample sizes.

Table A-24—Distribution of Households by Months of EBT Purchase Inactivity: FY2003 Matched QC-ALERT Sample
— Continued

| | Percent of households by number of months of inactivity | | | Percent of households with consecutive months of inactivity |
|-------------------------------|---|-------|---------------|---|
| | Zero | One | More than one | |
| Geographic location | | | | |
| Region | | | | |
| Northeast | 90.8% | 6.4% | 2.8% | 1.0% |
| Mid Atlantic | 89.5 | 7.8 | 2.6 | 0.4 |
| Midwest | 91.6 | 6.2 | 2.2 | 0.7 |
| Southeast | 91.1 | 6.7 | 2.2 | 0.8 |
| Southwest | 93.2 | 5.5 | 1.4 | 0.4 |
| Mountain Plains | 90.7 | 6.3 | 3.0 | 0.9 |
| West | 92.4 | 5.9 | 1.6 | 0.6 |
| Metro/Nonmetro areas | | | | |
| Metropolitan | 91.4 | 6.4 | 2.1 | 0.7 |
| Nonmetro, micropolitan | 91.7 | 6.1 | 2.2 | 0.6 |
| Nonmetro, noncore | 91.9 | 5.4 | 2.7 | 0.7 |
| County with peristent poverty | | | | |
| Yes | 93.7 | 4.9 | 1.4 | 0.3 |
| No | 91.3 * | 6.4 * | 2.3 * | 0.8 * |

^{*} Denotes statistically significant difference in means and proportions (.05 level). Comparisons are made within table columns, relative to the first row in each subgroup category. The Bonferroni adjustment was used to control for multiplicity in the number of tests when household subgroups contain more than two categories.

[†] Denotes individual estimates not meeting the standards of reliability or precision due to inadequate cell size or large coefficient of variation.

Source: USDA, Fiscal Year 2003 Food Stamp Program Quality Control data and ALERT data. Matched sample excludes the following States: California, Delaware, Guam, Iowa, New Mexico, Ohio, and Pennsylvania. Household-level EBT statistics are calculated as average monthly statistics over the three months centered on the QC sample month. See Table 7 for sample sizes.

Appendix B

EBT Benefit Redemption Characteristics: State-level Statistics from Nationwide ALERT Files

Table B-1—Average Number of Monthly EBT Purchase Transactions Per Household, and Distribution of Households by Number of Transactions, FY2003¹

| | Average number of transactions per household | Average number of transactions per \$100 | Number of monthly transactions | | | | | |
|----------------------------|--|--|--------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| | | | One | 2-5 | 6-10 | 11-15 | 16-20 | > 20 |
| | | | Percent of households | | | | | |
| Total U.S. | 7.6 | 3.9 | 12.0% | 35.9% | 28.0% | 13.2% | 5.8% | 5.1% |
| Alabama | 7.6 | 3.6 | 9.6 | 35.2 | 31.0 | 14.7 | 5.8 | 3.7 |
| Alaska | 8.8 | 2.8 | 12.5 | 31.2 | 26.8 | 14.2 | 7.1 | 8.2 |
| Arizona | 8.8 | 3.9 | 7.7 | 32.1 | 30.0 | 15.8 | 7.6 | 6.8 |
| Arkansas | 7.7 | 3.8 | 10.5 | 34.4 | 29.9 | 14.7 | 6.2 | 4.3 |
| California | 8.1 | 3.8 | 8.2 | 34.9 | 30.9 | 14.5 | 6.3 | 5.3 |
| Colorado | 7.1 | 3.5 | 13.4 | 36.5 | 27.9 | 12.9 | 5.4 | 3.8 |
| Connecticut | 5.8 | 3.7 | 20.3 | 41.7 | 22.8 | 8.8 | 3.6 | 2.8 |
| Delaware | 6.4 | 3.3 | 12.5 | 42.3 | 27.9 | 10.7 | 4.1 | 2.5 |
| District of Columbia | 7.3 | 3.8 | 9.4 | 38.2 | 30.9 | 12.9 | 5.0 | 3.6 |
| Florida | 6.2 | 3.6 | 15.2 | 42.0 | 26.2 | 10.2 | 3.8 | 2.5 |
| Georgia | 7.2 | 3.4 | 10.9 | 36.9 | 30.4 | 13.4 | 5.1 | 3.4 |
| Hawaii | 12.8 | 4.8 | 4.5 | 21.4 | 26.0 | 18.4 | 11.9 | 17.7 |
| Idaho | 7.6 | 3.9 | 12.5 | 34.1 | 28.0 | 14.5 | 6.5 | 4.5 |
| Illinois | 8.3 | 4.1 | 9.4 | 34.4 | 28.8 | 14.5 | 6.8 | 6.2 |
| Indiana | 7.4 | 3.6 | 10.3 | 36.6 | 30.1 | 13.7 | 5.5 | 3.8 |
| Iowa | 7.7 | 4.2 | 10.2 | 36.4 | 28.8 | 13.8 | 6.1 | 4.8 |
| Kansas | 6.8 | 3.9 | 14.4 | 38.3 | 27.0 | 12.0 | 4.9 | 3.5 |
| Kentucky | 7.4 | 3.9 | 12.1 | 36.0 | 28.1 | 13.5 | 5.8 | 4.4 |
| Louisiana | 9.0 | 4.0 | 7.3 | 30.6 | 30.5 | 16.6 | 7.9 | 7.2 |
| Maine | 6.4 | 4.0 | 13.8 | 43.3 | 26.0 | 10.0 | 3.9 | 3.0 |
| Maryland | 7.3 | 3.9 | 13.9 | 37.3 | 26.7 | 11.9 | 5.2 | 5.0 |
| Massachusetts | 5.7 | 3.4 | 17.9 | 43.7 | 24.4 | 8.6 | 3.2 | 2.2 |
| Michigan | 7.1 | 3.9 | 13.6 | 38.1 | 26.8 | 11.9 | 5.1 | 4.5 |
| Minnesota | 6.5 | 3.4 | 16.4 | 38.8 | 26.0 | 11.0 | 4.5 | 3.3 |
| Mississippi | 7.5 | 3.8 | 12.2 | 35.6 | 27.8 | 13.9 | 6.1 | 4.6 |
| Missouri | 7.4 | 3.8 | 11.1 | 37.2 | 29.0 | 13.1 | 5.4 | 4.1 |
| Montana | 8.1 | 4.1 | 11.3 | 32.6 | 28.7 | 14.8 | 6.9 | 5.7 |
| Nebraska | 6.7 | 3.8 | 17.4 | 36.3 | 26.0 | 11.8 | 4.9 | 3.5 |
| Nevada | 7.4 | 3.7 | 11.4 | 38.0 | 27.8 | 12.8 | 5.4 | 4.6 |
| New Hampshire | 5.2 | 3.3 | 21.2 | 44.0 | 23.2 | 7.6 | 2.6 | 1.6 |
| New Jersey | 7.8 | 4.3 | 13.8 | 36.5 | 25.3 | 12.0 | 5.8 | 6.5 |
| New Mexico | 7.7 | 3.8 | 10.7 | 34.6 | 29.4 | 14.4 | 6.2 | 4.6 |
| New York | 9.3 | 4.9 | 10.4 | 31.3 | 26.8 | 14.5 | 7.6 | 9.5 |
| North Carolina | 7.0 | 3.5 | 12.4 | 37.2 | 29.3 | 13.0 | 4.9 | 3.1 |
| North Dakota | 6.9 | 3.8 | 14.0 | 36.9 | 28.4 | 12.6 | 5.0 | 3.2 |
| Ohio | 7.1 | 3.7 | 12.7 | 37.6 | 28.0 | 12.5 | 5.2 | 4.0 |
| Oklahoma | 8.5 | 4.2 | 13.8 | 31.0 | 25.4 | 14.4 | 7.5 | 7.8 |
| Oregon | 8.4 | 4.9 | 11.1 | 32.2 | 28.0 | 14.8 | 7.2 | 6.6 |
| Pennsylvania | 7.2 | 4.0 | 13.7 | 38.1 | 26.6 | 11.8 | 5.2 | 4.7 |
| Rhode Island | 7.0 | 4.1 | 16.7 | 36.5 | 25.4 | 11.8 | 5.2 | 4.4 |
| South Carolina | 6.8 | 3.4 | 11.8 | 38.0 | 30.6 | 12.8 | 4.4 | 2.4 |
| South Dakota | 8.1 | 3.9 | 12.6 | 31.3 | 28.3 | 15.1 | 7.0 | 5.7 |
| Tennessee | 7.1 | 3.7 | 13.6 | 36.1 | 28.7 | 12.9 | 5.2 | 3.6 |
| Texas | 8.1 | 3.8 | 11.2 | 33.9 | 27.7 | 14.4 | 6.8 | 6.0 |
| Utah | 8.1 | 3.8 | 10.6 | 32.8 | 29.3 | 15.2 | 6.8 | 5.3 |
| Vermont | 6.8 | 3.5 | 11.8 | 39.6 | 29.4 | 12.0 | 4.4 | 2.8 |
| Virginia | 6.6 | 3.7 | 17.1 | 38.1 | 25.5 | 11.3 | 4.6 | 3.4 |
| Virgin Islands | 9.0 | 2.6 | 4.2 | 31.6 | 33.2 | 17.0 | 7.6 | 6.4 |
| Washington | 7.7 | 4.5 | 9.5 | 36.4 | 30.1 | 13.7 | 5.8 | 4.5 |
| West Virginia | 7.0 | 4.0 | 13.9 | 38.4 | 26.8 | 11.9 | 5.0 | 4.1 |
| Wisconsin | 6.7 | 3.8 | 17.2 | 37.9 | 25.5 | 11.0 | 4.6 | 3.9 |
| Wyoming | 6.9 | 3.5 | 14.0 | 37.2 | 28.1 | 12.6 | 4.8 | 3.3 |

¹ Excludes households with zero transactions.

Source: USDA, Food and Nutrition Service. EBT Redemption Transactions from ALERT System, FY2003. Average monthly statistics.

Table B-2—Average EBT Purchase Amount, and Distribution of Transactions by Dollar Amount, FY2003

| | Average purchase amount | Dollar amount of EBT purchase transactions | | | | | | | |
|----------------------------|-------------------------|--|---------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|------------|----------|
| | | < \$ 5 | \$ 5-10 | \$ 11-25 | \$ 26-50 | \$ 51-75 | \$ 76-100 | \$ 101-200 | > \$ 200 |
| | | Percent of transactions | | | | | | | |
| Total U.S. | \$25.52 | 24.0% | 23.4% | 23.8% | 14.4% | 6.2% | 3.3% | 4.2% | 0.7% |
| Alabama | 28.08 | 21.0 | 21.7 | 24.8 | 16.0 | 7.2 | 3.7 | 4.7 | 0.8 |
| Alaska | 36.00 | 12.8 | 19.6 | 28.4 | 19.6 | 8.0 | 4.1 | 5.6 | 2.0 |
| Arizona | 25.70 | 23.4 | 23.6 | 23.9 | 14.7 | 6.2 | 3.3 | 4.1 | 0.7 |
| Arkansas | 26.65 | 21.6 | 22.8 | 24.9 | 15.5 | 6.8 | 3.5 | 4.3 | 0.7 |
| California | 26.21 | 20.7 | 23.3 | 25.8 | 15.8 | 6.4 | 3.4 | 4.1 | 0.6 |
| Colorado | 28.36 | 21.0 | 23.4 | 24.8 | 15.1 | 6.3 | 3.4 | 4.8 | 1.2 |
| Connecticut | 26.99 | 23.9 | 23.9 | 22.2 | 13.9 | 6.5 | 3.7 | 4.9 | 0.8 |
| Delaware | 29.98 | 18.3 | 21.2 | 25.6 | 17.1 | 7.6 | 4.1 | 5.1 | 0.9 |
| District of Columbia | 26.19 | 26.2 | 23.1 | 21.4 | 13.9 | 6.3 | 3.6 | 4.6 | 0.8 |
| Florida | 27.59 | 19.9 | 22.6 | 25.5 | 16.3 | 7.0 | 3.7 | 4.4 | 0.8 |
| Georgia | 29.25 | 21.4 | 21.6 | 24.2 | 15.7 | 7.0 | 3.9 | 5.2 | 1.0 |
| Hawaii | 20.60 | 26.6 | 26.2 | 24.6 | 12.7 | 4.7 | 2.2 | 2.5 | 0.5 |
| Idaho | 25.77 | 20.0 | 24.2 | 27.4 | 14.9 | 5.7 | 3.0 | 4.0 | 0.8 |
| Illinois | 24.57 | 27.1 | 22.7 | 22.2 | 13.9 | 6.2 | 3.3 | 4.0 | 0.6 |
| Indiana | 27.42 | 21.2 | 21.9 | 24.7 | 16.2 | 7.1 | 3.7 | 4.5 | 0.7 |
| Iowa | 24.13 | 23.5 | 23.4 | 24.9 | 15.0 | 6.1 | 3.2 | 3.5 | 0.5 |
| Kansas | 25.49 | 22.7 | 23.1 | 24.8 | 15.2 | 6.2 | 3.3 | 4.0 | 0.6 |
| Kentucky | 25.94 | 22.1 | 23.6 | 24.4 | 15.2 | 6.5 | 3.5 | 4.2 | 0.6 |
| Louisiana | 24.85 | 26.9 | 23.0 | 23.1 | 13.4 | 5.7 | 3.0 | 4.0 | 0.9 |
| Maine | 25.39 | 21.5 | 24.3 | 25.5 | 14.6 | 6.1 | 3.3 | 4.1 | 0.6 |
| Maryland | 25.87 | 28.1 | 21.9 | 21.3 | 13.8 | 6.1 | 3.5 | 4.5 | 0.9 |
| Massachusetts | 29.78 | 21.3 | 22.5 | 23.2 | 15.1 | 7.0 | 4.1 | 5.8 | 1.0 |
| Michigan | 25.94 | 24.6 | 22.3 | 23.3 | 15.0 | 6.4 | 3.5 | 4.2 | 0.7 |
| Minnesota | 29.64 | 19.7 | 23.1 | 24.8 | 15.5 | 6.7 | 3.8 | 5.3 | 1.2 |
| Mississippi | 26.40 | 24.4 | 21.9 | 23.1 | 15.2 | 6.9 | 3.5 | 4.4 | 0.7 |
| Missouri | 26.30 | 22.9 | 22.6 | 24.0 | 15.4 | 6.8 | 3.5 | 4.2 | 0.6 |
| Montana | 24.41 | 21.7 | 24.7 | 26.6 | 14.4 | 5.5 | 2.8 | 3.6 | 0.7 |
| Nebraska | 26.63 | 19.4 | 23.3 | 26.6 | 16.1 | 6.5 | 3.3 | 4.1 | 0.7 |
| Nevada | 26.89 | 24.3 | 22.3 | 23.7 | 14.7 | 6.2 | 3.2 | 4.4 | 1.0 |
| New Hampshire | 30.58 | 18.3 | 22.7 | 25.1 | 16.0 | 7.1 | 4.0 | 5.7 | 1.1 |
| New Jersey | 23.49 | 29.0 | 24.5 | 21.4 | 12.1 | 5.3 | 3.0 | 4.0 | 0.7 |
| New Mexico | 26.54 | 22.3 | 23.8 | 24.2 | 14.8 | 6.2 | 3.4 | 4.5 | 0.8 |
| New York | 20.33 | 29.9 | 27.3 | 22.4 | 10.3 | 4.1 | 2.3 | 3.1 | 0.6 |
| North Carolina | 28.51 | 20.1 | 21.3 | 25.3 | 16.7 | 7.3 | 3.9 | 4.8 | 0.8 |
| North Dakota | 26.36 | 16.7 | 23.8 | 28.5 | 16.9 | 6.5 | 3.3 | 3.8 | 0.6 |
| Ohio | 26.77 | 22.4 | 22.4 | 24.1 | 15.7 | 6.9 | 3.6 | 4.3 | 0.7 |
| Oklahoma | 23.67 | 28.9 | 23.5 | 21.6 | 13.0 | 5.4 | 2.9 | 3.9 | 0.8 |
| Oregon | 20.37 | 28.8 | 25.6 | 23.8 | 11.8 | 4.5 | 2.3 | 2.8 | 0.5 |
| Pennsylvania | 24.88 | 25.9 | 24.8 | 22.3 | 13.0 | 5.8 | 3.2 | 4.2 | 0.8 |
| Rhode Island | 24.66 | 25.1 | 24.2 | 22.5 | 13.9 | 6.2 | 3.4 | 4.1 | 0.5 |
| South Carolina | 29.61 | 18.0 | 21.2 | 26.0 | 17.5 | 7.5 | 4.0 | 5.1 | 0.8 |
| South Dakota | 25.95 | 19.9 | 24.6 | 26.4 | 15.3 | 6.0 | 3.1 | 3.9 | 0.8 |
| Tennessee | 27.10 | 21.1 | 22.4 | 24.7 | 16.0 | 7.1 | 3.7 | 4.4 | 0.6 |
| Texas | 26.50 | 23.9 | 22.5 | 23.4 | 15.2 | 6.3 | 3.4 | 4.4 | 0.8 |
| Utah | 26.03 | 21.0 | 23.2 | 26.3 | 15.5 | 6.0 | 3.1 | 4.0 | 0.8 |
| Vermont | 28.90 | 17.8 | 23.6 | 26.8 | 15.4 | 6.6 | 3.7 | 5.2 | 0.9 |
| Virginia | 27.09 | 22.2 | 22.4 | 24.4 | 15.6 | 6.7 | 3.5 | 4.5 | 0.8 |
| Virgin Islands | 38.76 | 16.9 | 20.8 | 24.1 | 15.6 | 7.8 | 4.4 | 7.7 | 2.8 |
| Washington | 22.13 | 23.9 | 25.0 | 26.3 | 13.7 | 5.1 | 2.6 | 2.9 | 0.5 |
| West Virginia | 25.42 | 22.8 | 23.4 | 24.2 | 15.1 | 6.4 | 3.4 | 4.1 | 0.5 |
| Wisconsin | 26.37 | 25.1 | 22.1 | 22.6 | 14.8 | 6.6 | 3.6 | 4.4 | 0.7 |
| Wyoming | 28.51 | 17.3 | 22.9 | 27.1 | 16.9 | 6.8 | 3.5 | 4.5 | 0.9 |

Source: USDA, Food and Nutrition Service. EBT Redemption Transactions from ALERT System, FY2003. Average monthly statistics.

Table B-3—Distribution of EBT Purchase Transactions by Store Type, FY2003

| | Distribution of EBT purchase transactions | | | | | | |
|----------------------------|---|------------------|------------------|-------------------|-----------------|-------------------|---------------|
| | Super- markets | Large grocery | Small grocery | Conven- -ience | Gas/ grocery | Specialty food | Other type |
| Total U.S. | 64.4% | 8.0% | 10.5% | 7.8% | 3.3% | 3.3% | 2.7% |
| Alabama | 74.0 | 10.8 | 3.6 | 3.9 | 4.5 | 2.1 | 1.1 |
| Alaska | 58.6 | 9.3 | 5.0 | 2.0 | 5.0 | 0.4 | 19.7 |
| Arizona | 69.9 | 3.6 | 3.8 | 7.2 | 12.6 | 0.6 | 2.4 |
| Arkansas | 74.2 | 10.1 | 5.6 | 5.5 | 0.3 | 1.8 | 2.4 |
| California | 64.4 | 9.7 | 10.3 | 9.0 | 1.1 | 2.2 | 3.2 |
| Colorado | 71.2 | 6.4 | 3.0 | 14.4 | 0.4 | 1.3 | 3.3 |
| Connecticut | 53.3 | 6.9 | 23.9 | 11.1 | 1.3 | 1.9 | 1.7 |
| Delaware | 77.6 | 1.3 | 4.8 | 9.0 | 2.8 | 2.4 | 2.0 |
| District of Columbia | 48.6 | 9.7 | 16.4 | 10.4 | 0.2 | 12.5 | 2.1 |
| Florida | 73.5 | 7.7 | 6.0 | 4.1 | 3.4 | 3.3 | 2.0 |
| Georgia | 71.5 | 9.5 | 6.0 | 5.5 | 3.1 | 2.8 | 1.4 |
| Hawaii | 54.6 | 7.9 | 7.8 | 9.6 | 7.3 | 6.8 | 6.1 |
| Idaho | 79.4 | 6.9 | 2.8 | 5.3 | 1.0 | 1.7 | 2.9 |
| Illinois | 55.8 | 10.9 | 18.3 | 4.5 | 3.0 | 2.8 | 4.6 |
| Indiana | 74.2 | 7.0 | 4.0 | 3.8 | 6.7 | 1.4 | 2.8 |
| Iowa | 76.3 | 4.8 | 1.2 | 12.3 | 0.5 | 1.6 | 3.4 |
| Kansas | 75.5 | 7.4 | 1.2 | 12.2 | 0.2 | 1.7 | 1.8 |
| Kentucky | 64.2 | 10.3 | 7.0 | 11.3 | 4.0 | 0.9 | 2.2 |
| Louisiana | 59.9 | 8.9 | 13.7 | 8.5 | 0.4 | 5.1 | 3.5 |
| Maine | 61.0 | 13.4 | 4.1 | 12.4 | 4.3 | 1.7 | 3.1 |
| Maryland | 58.2 | 2.6 | 14.9 | 9.4 | 0.5 | 7.8 | 6.5 |
| Massachusetts | 61.8 | 5.4 | 11.6 | 14.8 | 1.1 | 2.5 | 2.8 |
| Michigan | 64.3 | 7.5 | 3.4 | 15.6 | 4.1 | 2.6 | 2.5 |
| Minnesota | 62.1 | 9.6 | 6.8 | 7.7 | 8.6 | 3.7 | 1.6 |
| Mississippi | 66.6 | 11.1 | 5.0 | 3.8 | 8.9 | 2.7 | 2.0 |
| Missouri | 70.4 | 8.8 | 4.8 | 3.2 | 9.2 | 1.6 | 2.1 |
| Montana | 67.6 | 11.9 | 3.1 | 10.2 | 2.2 | 2.1 | 3.0 |
| Nebraska | 76.1 | 10.9 | 2.0 | 0.8 | 4.4 | 3.8 | 1.9 |
| Nevada | 71.8 | 3.9 | 3.1 | 13.1 | 2.3 | 0.9 | 4.9 |
| New Hampshire | 73.4 | 5.6 | 2.6 | 10.4 | 5.8 | 0.7 | 1.6 |
| New Jersey | 44.7 | 7.8 | 35.7 | 5.3 | 0.2 | 3.2 | 3.2 |
| New Mexico | 65.9 | 7.0 | 4.2 | 14.7 | 3.1 | 1.4 | 3.7 |
| New York | 43.0 | 12.0 | 29.5 | 2.3 | 1.0 | 10.2 | 2.0 |
| North Carolina | 79.1 | 5.3 | 3.1 | 7.7 | 1.0 | 2.7 | 1.0 |
| North Dakota | 65.7 | 13.1 | 1.9 | 6.3 | 5.0 | 1.8 | 6.2 |
| Ohio | 69.7 | 7.1 | 7.8 | 7.2 | 3.7 | 2.6 | 1.9 |
| Oklahoma | 61.8 | 6.6 | 2.9 | 25.1 | 0.4 | 1.0 | 2.2 |
| Oregon | 66.4 | 4.6 | 4.7 | 17.2 | 1.1 | 1.3 | 4.7 |
| Pennsylvania | 55.4 | 5.5 | 21.8 | 6.8 | 3.8 | 3.0 | 3.8 |
| Rhode Island | 52.4 | 7.8 | 17.0 | 15.1 | 2.2 | 2.0 | 3.4 |
| South Carolina | 82.5 | 5.0 | 2.4 | 5.2 | 1.1 | 2.7 | 0.9 |
| South Dakota | 60.3 | 16.9 | 3.9 | 12.6 | 2.3 | 1.2 | 2.9 |
| Tennessee | 72.2 | 9.3 | 6.2 | 7.2 | 1.4 | 1.0 | 2.7 |
| Texas | 69.0 | 6.1 | 5.6 | 11.4 | 3.3 | 2.6 | 2.0 |
| Utah | 76.8 | 3.4 | 2.8 | 3.5 | 9.4 | 2.7 | 1.4 |
| Vermont | 67.3 | 7.0 | 6.5 | 7.7 | 5.9 | 0.4 | 5.3 |
| Virginia | 71.8 | 6.0 | 5.2 | 9.5 | 3.3 | 2.7 | 1.4 |
| Virgin Islands | 62.9 | 6.2 | 19.4 | 4.0 | 0.3 | 3.4 | 3.9 |
| Washington | 73.1 | 5.5 | 4.0 | 6.3 | 5.7 | 1.5 | 3.9 |
| West Virginia | 65.2 | 6.3 | 6.2 | 2.9 | 16.4 | 0.8 | 2.2 |
| Wisconsin | 66.1 | 6.6 | 12.2 | 4.9 | 6.2 | 0.8 | 3.2 |
| Wyoming | 79.0 | 6.7 | 1.2 | 10.1 | 0.7 | 1.1 | 1.2 |

Note: Retailers identify their store type on FNS application forms; 20 store types were collapsed into the 7 categories shown in the table. Retailers identified as supermarkets and small/medium groceries were reclassified based on reported gross sales as supermarkets (over \$2 million), large grocery (\$500k to \$2 million), and small grocery (under \$500k).

Source: USDA, Food and Nutrition Service. EBT Redemption Transactions from ALERT System, FY2003. Average monthly statistics.

Table B-4—Distribution of EBT Benefit Redemption by Store Type, FY2003

| | Distribution of the dollar value of EBT redemption | | | | | | |
|----------------------------|--|------------------|------------------|-------------------|-----------------|-------------------|---------------|
| | Super- markets | Large grocery | Small grocery | Conven- -ience | Gas/ grocery | Specialty food | Other type |
| Total U.S. | 83.0% | 5.8% | 4.4% | 1.8% | 0.8% | 2.4% | 1.7% |
| Alabama | 85.4 | 8.6 | 1.8 | 0.9 | 1.3 | 1.4 | 0.7 |
| Alaska | 60.1 | 11.0 | 4.0 | 0.8 | 3.3 | 0.5 | 20.3 |
| Arizona | 90.0 | 2.1 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 3.0 | 0.4 | 1.1 |
| Arkansas | 87.2 | 7.2 | 1.9 | 1.0 | 0.1 | 1.1 | 1.5 |
| California | 82.8 | 6.7 | 4.1 | 2.2 | 0.3 | 1.6 | 2.2 |
| Colorado | 86.2 | 4.8 | 1.4 | 2.9 | 0.1 | 1.1 | 3.6 |
| Connecticut | 75.3 | 7.1 | 11.1 | 3.6 | 0.3 | 1.6 | 1.0 |
| Delaware | 90.6 | 0.9 | 2.0 | 2.2 | 0.5 | 2.5 | 1.2 |
| District of Columbia | 71.2 | 5.5 | 4.2 | 2.3 | 0.0 | 16.0 | 0.8 |
| Florida | 85.0 | 6.0 | 3.0 | 1.0 | 0.7 | 3.0 | 1.3 |
| Georgia | 85.0 | 7.0 | 2.6 | 1.2 | 0.7 | 2.2 | 1.2 |
| Hawaii | 76.0 | 6.1 | 3.8 | 3.1 | 2.2 | 3.9 | 5.0 |
| Idaho | 90.7 | 4.0 | 1.2 | 1.0 | 0.3 | 0.9 | 1.9 |
| Illinois | 75.9 | 7.4 | 8.6 | 1.4 | 0.6 | 3.1 | 3.0 |
| Indiana | 88.9 | 5.0 | 1.9 | 0.9 | 1.2 | 0.8 | 1.3 |
| Iowa | 89.9 | 2.9 | 0.8 | 2.5 | 0.1 | 1.5 | 2.5 |
| Kansas | 89.2 | 5.2 | 0.5 | 2.3 | 0.1 | 0.8 | 1.9 |
| Kentucky | 81.8 | 9.0 | 3.3 | 2.6 | 1.3 | 0.5 | 1.4 |
| Louisiana | 82.0 | 6.0 | 4.6 | 2.0 | 0.1 | 3.5 | 1.9 |
| Maine | 82.0 | 8.6 | 1.8 | 3.2 | 1.1 | 1.6 | 1.7 |
| Maryland | 81.6 | 1.5 | 3.7 | 2.2 | 0.1 | 7.7 | 3.2 |
| Massachusetts | 83.9 | 3.6 | 4.5 | 3.9 | 0.2 | 2.6 | 1.4 |
| Michigan | 83.6 | 5.6 | 1.6 | 3.7 | 0.8 | 2.8 | 2.0 |
| Minnesota | 79.1 | 7.5 | 4.0 | 2.0 | 2.4 | 3.8 | 1.3 |
| Mississippi | 82.7 | 8.8 | 2.1 | 0.8 | 2.5 | 2.0 | 1.1 |
| Missouri | 86.6 | 6.3 | 1.8 | 1.0 | 1.9 | 1.1 | 1.3 |
| Montana | 83.3 | 8.6 | 1.7 | 2.3 | 0.7 | 1.3 | 2.0 |
| Nebraska | 87.2 | 7.1 | 0.8 | 0.2 | 0.9 | 2.7 | 1.2 |
| Nevada | 88.2 | 2.3 | 1.5 | 2.9 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 4.1 |
| New Hampshire | 90.5 | 3.3 | 0.8 | 2.3 | 1.2 | 0.6 | 1.4 |
| New Jersey | 73.0 | 6.5 | 13.6 | 1.8 | 0.0 | 3.1 | 2.0 |
| New Mexico | 86.1 | 4.7 | 1.7 | 3.1 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 3.0 |
| New York | 64.4 | 9.7 | 16.6 | 0.9 | 0.3 | 6.8 | 1.3 |
| North Carolina | 90.2 | 3.9 | 1.4 | 1.4 | 0.3 | 1.8 | 1.0 |
| North Dakota | 77.4 | 11.3 | 1.6 | 1.5 | 2.6 | 1.3 | 4.5 |
| Ohio | 88.4 | 3.9 | 2.3 | 1.5 | 0.8 | 2.3 | 0.8 |
| Oklahoma | 85.8 | 5.1 | 1.4 | 4.9 | 0.1 | 0.8 | 1.9 |
| Oregon | 86.6 | 3.1 | 1.9 | 3.8 | 0.3 | 1.0 | 3.3 |
| Pennsylvania | 81.0 | 3.8 | 7.1 | 1.9 | 0.9 | 3.3 | 1.9 |
| Rhode Island | 77.8 | 5.5 | 7.8 | 4.6 | 0.6 | 1.8 | 1.8 |
| South Carolina | 90.9 | 3.9 | 1.0 | 1.1 | 0.2 | 2.3 | 0.6 |
| South Dakota | 75.4 | 14.1 | 2.8 | 3.3 | 0.7 | 1.0 | 2.7 |
| Tennessee | 86.8 | 7.0 | 2.5 | 1.4 | 0.4 | 0.6 | 1.2 |
| Texas | 88.2 | 4.1 | 1.9 | 2.2 | 0.7 | 1.5 | 1.4 |
| Utah | 89.9 | 2.4 | 1.7 | 0.9 | 1.9 | 1.6 | 1.5 |
| Vermont | 84.3 | 6.1 | 2.7 | 1.9 | 1.4 | 0.4 | 3.2 |
| Virginia | 87.2 | 4.6 | 2.1 | 1.9 | 0.8 | 2.2 | 1.2 |
| Virgin Islands | 74.0 | 4.0 | 16.0 | 3.1 | 0.2 | 0.8 | 1.8 |
| Washington | 87.0 | 3.9 | 2.2 | 1.5 | 1.4 | 1.2 | 2.9 |
| West Virginia | 86.7 | 4.5 | 2.5 | 0.7 | 3.9 | 0.4 | 1.2 |
| Wisconsin | 87.3 | 4.4 | 4.0 | 1.2 | 1.1 | 0.7 | 1.4 |
| Wyoming | 91.3 | 3.9 | 0.5 | 2.0 | 0.1 | 0.7 | 1.5 |

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Source: USDA, Food and Nutrition Service. EBT Redemption Transactions from ALERT System, FY2003. Average monthly statistics.

Table B-5—Average Monthly Number of EBT Purchase Transactions Per Household, Total and By Store Type, FY2003

| | Average monthly number of transactions per household | | | | | | | |
|----------------------------|--|-------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------|-------------------|---------------|
| | Total | By store type | | | | | | |
| | | Super- markets | Large grocery | Small grocery | Conven- ience | Gas/ grocery | Specialty food | Other type |
| Total U.S. | 7.6 | 4.9 | 0.6 | 0.8 | 0.6 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.2 |
| Alabama | 7.6 | 5.6 | 0.8 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.1 |
| Alaska | 8.8 | 5.2 | 0.8 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 1.7 |
| Arizona | 8.8 | 6.1 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.6 | 1.1 | 0.1 | 0.2 |
| Arkansas | 7.7 | 5.7 | 0.8 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.2 |
| California | 8.1 | 5.2 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 0.7 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.3 |
| Colorado | 7.1 | 5.1 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.2 |
| Connecticut | 5.8 | 3.1 | 0.4 | 1.4 | 0.6 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 |
| Delaware | 6.4 | 5.0 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 0.6 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.1 |
| District of Columbia | 7.3 | 3.5 | 0.7 | 1.2 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 0.9 | 0.2 |
| Florida | 6.2 | 4.6 | 0.5 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.1 |
| Georgia | 7.2 | 5.2 | 0.7 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.1 |
| Hawaii | 12.8 | 7.0 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 1.2 | 0.9 | 0.9 | 0.8 |
| Idaho | 7.6 | 6.0 | 0.5 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.2 |
| Illinois | 8.3 | 4.6 | 0.9 | 1.5 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.4 |
| Indiana | 7.4 | 5.5 | 0.5 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.5 | 0.1 | 0.2 |
| Iowa | 7.7 | 5.9 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.3 |
| Kansas | 6.8 | 5.2 | 0.5 | 0.1 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.1 |
| Kentucky | 7.4 | 4.8 | 0.8 | 0.5 | 0.8 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.2 |
| Louisiana | 9.0 | 5.4 | 0.8 | 1.2 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 0.5 | 0.3 |
| Maine | 6.4 | 3.9 | 0.8 | 0.3 | 0.8 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.2 |
| Maryland | 7.3 | 4.3 | 0.2 | 1.1 | 0.7 | 0.0 | 0.6 | 0.5 |
| Massachusetts | 5.7 | 3.5 | 0.3 | 0.7 | 0.8 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.2 |
| Michigan | 7.1 | 4.6 | 0.5 | 0.2 | 1.1 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.2 |
| Minnesota | 6.5 | 4.0 | 0.6 | 0.4 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 0.2 | 0.1 |
| Mississippi | 7.5 | 5.0 | 0.8 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.7 | 0.2 | 0.2 |
| Missouri | 7.4 | 5.2 | 0.6 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 0.7 | 0.1 | 0.2 |
| Montana | 8.1 | 5.5 | 1.0 | 0.2 | 0.8 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.2 |
| Nebraska | 6.7 | 5.1 | 0.7 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.1 |
| Nevada | 7.4 | 5.3 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 1.0 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.4 |
| New Hampshire | 5.2 | 3.8 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.5 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.1 |
| New Jersey | 7.8 | 3.5 | 0.6 | 2.8 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.2 |
| New Mexico | 7.7 | 5.1 | 0.5 | 0.3 | 1.1 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.3 |
| New York | 9.3 | 4.0 | 1.1 | 2.8 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.9 | 0.2 |
| North Carolina | 7.0 | 5.5 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 0.5 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.1 |
| North Dakota | 6.9 | 4.5 | 0.9 | 0.1 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.4 |
| Ohio | 7.1 | 5.0 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 0.5 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.1 |
| Oklahoma | 8.5 | 5.3 | 0.6 | 0.2 | 2.1 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.2 |
| Oregon | 8.4 | 5.6 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 1.4 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.4 |
| Pennsylvania | 7.2 | 4.0 | 0.4 | 1.6 | 0.5 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.3 |
| Rhode Island | 7.0 | 3.7 | 0.5 | 1.2 | 1.0 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.2 |
| South Carolina | 6.8 | 5.6 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.1 |
| South Dakota | 8.1 | 4.9 | 1.4 | 0.3 | 1.0 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.2 |
| Tennessee | 7.1 | 5.1 | 0.7 | 0.4 | 0.5 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.2 |
| Texas | 8.1 | 5.6 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.9 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.2 |
| Utah | 8.1 | 6.2 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.8 | 0.2 | 0.1 |
| Vermont | 6.8 | 4.6 | 0.5 | 0.4 | 0.5 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.4 |
| Virginia | 6.6 | 4.7 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.6 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.1 |
| Virgin Islands | 9.0 | 5.7 | 0.6 | 1.8 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.4 |
| Washington | 7.7 | 5.6 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.5 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 0.3 |
| West Virginia | 7.0 | 4.6 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 1.2 | 0.1 | 0.2 |
| Wisconsin | 6.7 | 4.4 | 0.4 | 0.8 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 0.2 |
| Wyoming | 6.9 | 5.4 | 0.5 | 0.1 | 0.7 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.1 |

Note: See note on table B-4.

Source: USDA, Food and Nutrition Service. EBT Redemption Transactions from ALERT System, FY2003. Average monthly statistics.

Table B-6—Average EBT Purchase Amount per Transaction, Overall and By Store Type, FY2003

| | Average EBT purchase amount | | | | | | | |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------|-------------------|---------------|
| | Overall | By store type | | | | | | |
| | | Super- markets | Large grocery | Small grocery | Conven- ience | Gas/ grocery | Specialty food | Other type |
| Total U.S. | \$25.52 | \$32.81 | \$18.45 | \$10.55 | \$5.91 | \$6.09 | \$18.70 | \$16.35 |
| Alabama | 28.08 | 32.29 | 22.08 | 13.60 | 6.35 | 7.81 | 17.87 | 19.33 |
| Alaska | 36.00 | 36.65 | 41.05 | 26.87 | 13.39 | 23.27 | 43.79 | 35.93 |
| Arizona | 25.70 | 32.96 | 15.30 | 11.75 | 5.94 | 6.03 | 15.10 | 12.28 |
| Arkansas | 26.65 | 31.11 | 18.76 | 8.84 | 4.95 | 8.04 | 16.22 | 16.70 |
| California | 26.21 | 33.56 | 18.08 | 10.45 | 6.57 | 6.29 | 18.97 | 17.53 |
| Colorado | 28.36 | 34.19 | 21.09 | 12.73 | 5.61 | 7.64 | 23.93 | 30.58 |
| Connecticut | 26.99 | 37.79 | 27.44 | 12.08 | 8.44 | 5.88 | 22.06 | 15.50 |
| Delaware | 29.98 | 35.04 | 20.35 | 16.13 | 7.12 | 5.71 | 29.82 | 19.96 |
| District of Columbia | 26.19 | 38.13 | 14.74 | 6.60 | 5.78 | 4.49 | 33.16 | 10.52 |
| Florida | 27.59 | 31.82 | 21.28 | 13.99 | 6.87 | 5.38 | 25.17 | 17.35 |
| Georgia | 29.25 | 34.60 | 21.53 | 12.72 | 6.35 | 6.69 | 23.00 | 24.16 |
| Hawaii | 20.60 | 28.37 | 15.85 | 10.06 | 6.66 | 6.03 | 11.68 | 16.88 |
| Idaho | 25.77 | 29.30 | 14.74 | 10.49 | 5.03 | 8.49 | 13.94 | 16.76 |
| Illinois | 24.57 | 33.30 | 16.59 | 11.59 | 7.33 | 4.99 | 27.10 | 15.94 |
| Indiana | 27.42 | 32.67 | 19.61 | 12.85 | 6.32 | 4.85 | 14.95 | 12.65 |
| Iowa | 24.13 | 28.20 | 14.36 | 15.09 | 4.83 | 5.16 | 21.95 | 17.19 |
| Kansas | 25.49 | 29.93 | 17.80 | 10.99 | 4.77 | 8.27 | 11.65 | 26.63 |
| Kentucky | 25.94 | 32.95 | 22.60 | 12.39 | 5.93 | 8.55 | 13.85 | 16.26 |
| Louisiana | 24.85 | 33.80 | 16.67 | 8.35 | 5.70 | 6.52 | 16.91 | 13.47 |
| Maine | 25.39 | 34.01 | 15.98 | 11.13 | 6.53 | 6.19 | 23.97 | 13.73 |
| Maryland | 25.87 | 36.03 | 15.10 | 6.43 | 5.92 | 6.64 | 25.45 | 12.54 |
| Massachusetts | 29.78 | 40.27 | 19.95 | 11.40 | 7.82 | 5.37 | 29.46 | 14.67 |
| Michigan | 25.94 | 33.61 | 19.28 | 11.80 | 6.14 | 5.11 | 27.07 | 19.91 |
| Minnesota | 29.64 | 37.43 | 22.67 | 17.36 | 7.54 | 8.12 | 29.84 | 24.69 |
| Mississippi | 26.40 | 33.00 | 21.21 | 11.22 | 5.90 | 7.28 | 18.25 | 15.38 |
| Missouri | 26.30 | 32.09 | 18.83 | 10.15 | 7.77 | 5.37 | 18.18 | 16.44 |
| Montana | 24.41 | 29.91 | 17.42 | 13.18 | 5.37 | 8.05 | 15.11 | 16.83 |
| Nebraska | 26.63 | 30.41 | 17.21 | 10.83 | 4.94 | 5.21 | 18.79 | 16.06 |
| Nevada | 26.89 | 32.87 | 15.63 | 13.08 | 5.88 | 5.42 | 17.15 | 22.40 |
| New Hampshire | 30.58 | 37.60 | 17.64 | 9.79 | 6.73 | 6.08 | 25.41 | 25.71 |
| New Jersey | 23.49 | 38.06 | 19.24 | 8.73 | 7.92 | 5.72 | 22.00 | 14.59 |
| New Mexico | 26.54 | 34.53 | 17.52 | 10.60 | 5.60 | 6.41 | 14.89 | 19.26 |
| New York | 20.33 | 30.20 | 16.29 | 11.26 | 7.78 | 6.12 | 13.37 | 12.71 |
| North Carolina | 28.51 | 32.36 | 21.01 | 12.44 | 5.10 | 7.61 | 19.37 | 26.04 |
| North Dakota | 26.36 | 30.89 | 22.59 | 21.72 | 6.10 | 13.49 | 18.06 | 19.16 |
| Ohio | 26.77 | 33.82 | 14.78 | 8.01 | 5.41 | 5.89 | 23.82 | 10.72 |
| Oklahoma | 23.67 | 32.70 | 18.07 | 11.56 | 4.63 | 5.80 | 19.08 | 19.74 |
| Oregon | 20.37 | 26.44 | 13.56 | 8.13 | 4.51 | 5.32 | 16.08 | 14.27 |
| Pennsylvania | 24.88 | 36.22 | 17.25 | 8.13 | 6.89 | 6.15 | 27.24 | 12.39 |
| Rhode Island | 24.66 | 36.46 | 17.51 | 11.23 | 7.44 | 6.53 | 22.28 | 12.61 |
| South Carolina | 29.61 | 32.48 | 23.24 | 11.92 | 6.00 | 6.24 | 24.35 | 19.12 |
| South Dakota | 25.95 | 32.31 | 21.63 | 19.08 | 6.82 | 7.35 | 22.26 | 23.90 |
| Tennessee | 27.10 | 32.48 | 20.36 | 10.86 | 5.39 | 6.85 | 16.89 | 12.36 |
| Texas | 26.50 | 33.55 | 17.58 | 8.79 | 5.09 | 5.57 | 15.01 | 19.09 |
| Utah | 26.03 | 30.32 | 18.39 | 15.80 | 6.59 | 5.27 | 15.63 | 26.83 |
| Vermont | 28.90 | 36.08 | 25.24 | 11.74 | 7.26 | 6.60 | 30.34 | 17.38 |
| Virginia | 27.09 | 32.84 | 20.45 | 11.01 | 5.25 | 6.56 | 21.66 | 22.31 |
| Virgin Islands | 38.76 | 44.97 | 25.12 | 32.04 | 30.40 | 30.61 | 9.22 | 17.35 |
| Washington | 22.13 | 26.20 | 15.75 | 11.98 | 5.17 | 5.59 | 16.73 | 15.89 |
| West Virginia | 25.42 | 33.70 | 18.18 | 10.43 | 6.31 | 5.97 | 11.73 | 13.98 |
| Wisconsin | 26.37 | 34.65 | 17.55 | 8.54 | 6.16 | 4.85 | 22.45 | 11.36 |
| Wyoming | 28.51 | 32.96 | 16.56 | 12.28 | 5.54 | 5.51 | 17.45 | 36.47 |

Note: See note on table B-4.

Source: USDA, Food and Nutrition Service. EBT Redemption Transactions from ALERT System, FY2003. Average monthly statistics.

Table B-7—Average Number of Stores Accessed Per Household Per Month, and Distribution of Households by Number of Stores FY2003

| | Avg monthly number of stores per household | Number of stores per household per month | | | | | |
|----------------------------|--|--|-------|-------|-------|------|-------------|
| | | One | Two | Three | Four | Five | Six or more |
| | | <i>Percent of households</i> | | | | | |
| Total U.S. | 3.4 | 22.9% | 21.2% | 17.9% | 13.3% | 9.1% | 15.6% |
| Alabama | 3.4 | 19.4 | 21.0 | 19.5 | 14.9 | 10.1 | 15.1 |
| Alaska | 2.6 | 30.4 | 27.4 | 19.6 | 11.2 | 6.0 | 5.4 |
| Arizona | 3.8 | 17.8 | 20.1 | 18.1 | 14.0 | 10.1 | 20.0 |
| Arkansas | 3.1 | 22.5 | 23.0 | 20.2 | 14.5 | 9.1 | 10.6 |
| California | 3.6 | 17.8 | 20.5 | 18.9 | 14.7 | 10.4 | 17.7 |
| Colorado | 3.1 | 26.4 | 22.7 | 17.8 | 12.4 | 8.0 | 12.8 |
| Connecticut | 2.8 | 32.5 | 22.8 | 16.9 | 11.5 | 7.2 | 9.2 |
| Delaware | 2.8 | 26.8 | 25.6 | 19.1 | 12.5 | 7.1 | 8.9 |
| District of Columbia | 3.6 | 17.4 | 19.7 | 19.0 | 15.4 | 10.8 | 17.6 |
| Florida | 3.0 | 27.9 | 23.4 | 17.8 | 12.1 | 7.7 | 11.1 |
| Georgia | 3.3 | 21.2 | 21.7 | 19.3 | 14.4 | 9.6 | 13.8 |
| Hawaii | 5.4 | 11.1 | 13.4 | 13.8 | 12.8 | 10.8 | 38.1 |
| Idaho | 3.0 | 25.5 | 23.0 | 18.8 | 13.4 | 8.6 | 10.8 |
| Illinois | 3.9 | 16.6 | 18.3 | 17.7 | 14.6 | 11.0 | 21.8 |
| Indiana | 3.3 | 20.4 | 21.7 | 19.4 | 14.4 | 9.6 | 14.5 |
| Iowa | 3.1 | 22.6 | 24.1 | 20.4 | 13.8 | 8.3 | 10.7 |
| Kansas | 2.8 | 29.4 | 24.7 | 18.0 | 11.5 | 6.9 | 9.5 |
| Kentucky | 3.2 | 22.7 | 22.7 | 19.4 | 14.0 | 9.0 | 12.2 |
| Louisiana | 4.0 | 14.7 | 17.9 | 17.7 | 14.9 | 11.3 | 23.5 |
| Maine | 2.6 | 32.2 | 26.8 | 17.8 | 10.5 | 5.9 | 6.9 |
| Maryland | 3.5 | 24.5 | 20.2 | 16.4 | 12.2 | 8.5 | 18.2 |
| Massachusetts | 2.8 | 31.2 | 23.9 | 17.5 | 11.4 | 7.0 | 9.0 |
| Michigan | 3.4 | 24.4 | 21.3 | 17.3 | 12.6 | 8.5 | 15.8 |
| Minnesota | 2.8 | 32.0 | 24.0 | 17.0 | 11.0 | 6.6 | 9.4 |
| Mississippi | 3.3 | 22.9 | 20.6 | 18.0 | 14.0 | 9.7 | 14.8 |
| Missouri | 3.2 | 22.4 | 22.7 | 19.0 | 13.6 | 8.8 | 13.5 |
| Montana | 2.9 | 26.9 | 24.4 | 18.8 | 12.5 | 7.7 | 9.6 |
| Nebraska | 2.8 | 32.1 | 22.8 | 17.1 | 11.3 | 7.0 | 9.8 |
| Nevada | 3.1 | 25.3 | 23.0 | 18.0 | 12.6 | 8.3 | 12.9 |
| New Hampshire | 2.3 | 39.0 | 26.5 | 16.6 | 9.1 | 4.7 | 4.0 |
| New Jersey | 3.3 | 25.7 | 20.9 | 16.9 | 12.5 | 8.7 | 15.4 |
| New Mexico | 3.4 | 21.2 | 21.4 | 18.6 | 14.0 | 9.7 | 15.2 |
| New York | 3.9 | 20.2 | 18.4 | 16.6 | 13.2 | 9.6 | 22.0 |
| North Carolina | 3.2 | 23.9 | 21.8 | 18.6 | 13.8 | 9.2 | 12.7 |
| North Dakota | 2.6 | 32.4 | 24.7 | 17.6 | 11.7 | 6.8 | 6.8 |
| Ohio | 3.3 | 22.8 | 21.4 | 18.2 | 13.4 | 9.1 | 15.1 |
| Oklahoma | 3.4 | 25.2 | 20.4 | 16.5 | 12.3 | 8.6 | 17.2 |
| Oregon | 3.6 | 21.2 | 19.6 | 17.2 | 13.5 | 9.7 | 18.7 |
| Pennsylvania | 3.2 | 24.8 | 21.3 | 17.6 | 12.9 | 8.8 | 14.6 |
| Rhode Island | 3.4 | 25.9 | 18.8 | 16.1 | 12.7 | 9.3 | 17.2 |
| South Carolina | 3.1 | 22.7 | 22.6 | 19.8 | 14.5 | 9.2 | 11.2 |
| South Dakota | 3.0 | 27.0 | 22.6 | 18.2 | 12.8 | 8.3 | 11.0 |
| Tennessee | 3.2 | 23.8 | 21.1 | 18.4 | 13.6 | 9.0 | 14.0 |
| Texas | 3.5 | 22.7 | 20.9 | 17.4 | 13.0 | 9.1 | 17.0 |
| Utah | 3.4 | 21.7 | 21.6 | 18.4 | 13.8 | 9.3 | 15.2 |
| Vermont | 2.6 | 27.4 | 28.1 | 20.8 | 12.0 | 6.1 | 5.5 |
| Virginia | 3.0 | 29.8 | 22.2 | 16.8 | 11.6 | 7.6 | 12.1 |
| Virgin Islands | 4.0 | 11.0 | 16.9 | 19.7 | 17.7 | 13.0 | 21.6 |
| Washington | 3.4 | 20.7 | 21.3 | 18.5 | 14.0 | 9.6 | 15.8 |
| West Virginia | 3.0 | 25.7 | 23.7 | 19.0 | 12.8 | 8.0 | 10.8 |
| Wisconsin | 3.1 | 29.4 | 21.3 | 16.5 | 11.7 | 7.8 | 13.3 |
| Wyoming | 2.4 | 32.9 | 29.0 | 18.5 | 9.6 | 4.9 | 5.2 |

Source: USDA, Food and Nutrition Service. EBT Redemption Transactions from ALERT System, FY2003. Average monthly statistics.

Table B-8—Percent of Households Shopping Exclusively at Different Store Types, FY2003

| | Avg monthly number of households | Percent of households shopping exclusively at | | | Percent never shopping at supermarkets |
|----------------------------|----------------------------------|---|-----------------------------|--------------------|--|
| | | Super-markets | Grocery stores ¹ | Convenience stores | |
| Total U.S. | 8,466,608 | 46.5% | 3.0% | 0.4% | 5.7% |
| Alabama | 182,866 | 47.9 | 2.6 | 0.1 | 4.3 |
| Alaska | 17,297 | 56.1 | 3.5 | 0.2 | 16.0 |
| Arizona | 183,585 | 47.7 | 0.6 | 0.2 | 2.0 |
| Arkansas | 123,640 | 49.9 | 2.8 | 0.2 | 3.9 |
| California | 220,739 | 42.9 | 1.9 | 0.3 | 4.3 |
| Colorado | 83,532 | 52.1 | 2.9 | 0.8 | 5.1 |
| Connecticut | 88,150 | 44.4 | 8.3 | 1.2 | 13.1 |
| Delaware | 11,443 | 62.3 | 0.7 | 0.4 | 1.9 |
| District of Columbia | 38,308 | 26.1 | 2.6 | 0.5 | 8.9 |
| Florida | 482,533 | 56.4 | 2.8 | 0.2 | 5.0 |
| Georgia | 308,361 | 49.7 | 3.0 | 0.2 | 4.8 |
| Hawaii | 49,510 | 28.3 | 1.0 | 0.3 | 4.8 |
| Idaho | 32,452 | 57.0 | 2.2 | 0.3 | 3.2 |
| Illinois | 428,984 | 33.8 | 4.4 | 0.2 | 7.7 |
| Indiana | 198,184 | 53.7 | 1.8 | 0.2 | 3.1 |
| Iowa | 31,799 | 58.7 | 1.3 | 0.3 | 2.7 |
| Kansas | 67,170 | 57.4 | 3.3 | 0.5 | 5.7 |
| Kentucky | 209,885 | 43.5 | 3.6 | 0.4 | 5.8 |
| Louisiana | 254,497 | 33.2 | 2.1 | 0.3 | 3.9 |
| Maine | 54,528 | 51.0 | 3.9 | 0.6 | 7.3 |
| Maryland | 111,999 | 45.5 | 1.5 | 0.4 | 5.7 |
| Massachusetts | 124,201 | 50.9 | 3.2 | 1.2 | 7.5 |
| Michigan | 351,646 | 49.2 | 1.8 | 0.9 | 5.6 |
| Minnesota | 96,824 | 48.8 | 3.9 | 0.5 | 7.7 |
| Mississippi | 142,947 | 42.2 | 4.1 | 0.2 | 6.4 |
| Missouri | 243,648 | 50.0 | 2.8 | 0.2 | 4.6 |
| Montana | 28,876 | 47.6 | 3.4 | 0.3 | 6.9 |
| Nebraska | 41,611 | 59.0 | 4.6 | 0.1 | 6.5 |
| Nevada | 47,374 | 53.9 | 0.9 | 0.9 | 4.3 |
| New Hampshire | 20,798 | 64.9 | 1.8 | 1.3 | 5.2 |
| New Jersey | 155,115 | 37.7 | 6.8 | 0.4 | 11.0 |
| New Mexico | 74,256 | 41.8 | 1.7 | 0.7 | 4.4 |
| New York | 735,648 | 29.1 | 7.5 | 0.2 | 13.5 |
| North Carolina | 267,400 | 59.3 | 1.8 | 0.3 | 3.0 |
| North Dakota | 16,813 | 46.0 | 6.1 | 0.4 | 9.9 |
| Ohio | 367,801 | 52.0 | 1.6 | 0.3 | 2.9 |
| Oklahoma | 149,280 | 42.9 | 3.0 | 1.1 | 5.8 |
| Oregon | 179,255 | 44.1 | 1.1 | 0.7 | 3.4 |
| Pennsylvania | 365,835 | 44.0 | 3.4 | 0.4 | 7.2 |
| Rhode Island | 33,836 | 38.4 | 3.4 | 1.4 | 7.8 |
| South Carolina | 183,577 | 61.7 | 1.6 | 0.2 | 2.5 |
| South Dakota | 20,021 | 39.9 | 4.8 | 0.4 | 10.9 |
| Tennessee | 312,598 | 51.7 | 2.8 | 0.3 | 4.3 |
| Texas | 726,384 | 48.0 | 1.6 | 0.4 | 2.9 |
| Utah | 39,414 | 54.7 | 1.1 | 0.2 | 3.0 |
| Vermont | 13,649 | 50.8 | 2.4 | 0.5 | 5.0 |
| Virginia | 167,393 | 55.9 | 2.9 | 0.4 | 5.2 |
| Virgin Islands | 4,387 | 32.9 | 3.2 | 0.5 | 4.9 |
| Washington | 196,527 | 51.0 | 1.4 | 0.4 | 3.0 |
| West Virginia | 59,230 | 50.9 | 2.3 | 0.1 | 4.5 |
| Wisconsin | 110,849 | 54.6 | 2.7 | 0.3 | 5.0 |
| Wyoming | 9,955 | 62.2 | 2.3 | 0.4 | 3.6 |

¹ Grocery stores include large groceries and small/medium grocery stores

Source: USDA, Food and Nutrition Service. EBT Redemption Transactions from ALERT System, FY2003. Average monthly statistics.

Table B-9—Distribution of Households By Percent of Redemption at Supermarkets, FY2003

| | Percent of benefits redeemed at supermarkets | | | | | |
|----------------------------|--|-------|--------|--------|--------|-------|
| | Zero | 1-25% | 26-50% | 51-75% | 76-99% | 100% |
| | <i>Percent of households</i> | | | | | |
| Total U.S. | 5.7% | 2.9% | 5.2% | 10.5% | 28.9% | 46.5% |
| Alabama | 4.3 | 2.4 | 4.7 | 10.2 | 30.1 | 47.9 |
| Alaska | 16.0 | 4.1 | 3.9 | 5.3 | 14.5 | 56.1 |
| Arizona | 2.0 | 0.9 | 2.4 | 8.4 | 38.0 | 47.7 |
| Arkansas | 3.9 | 2.0 | 3.9 | 9.0 | 31.0 | 49.9 |
| California | 4.3 | 2.8 | 5.9 | 12.6 | 31.2 | 42.9 |
| Colorado | 5.1 | 2.6 | 4.1 | 8.0 | 27.8 | 52.1 |
| Connecticut | 13.1 | 3.9 | 6.3 | 10.7 | 21.5 | 44.4 |
| Delaware | 1.8 | 1.0 | 2.5 | 7.5 | 24.7 | 62.3 |
| District of Columbia | 8.9 | 6.0 | 11.0 | 18.8 | 29.0 | 26.1 |
| Florida | 5.0 | 2.3 | 4.4 | 9.3 | 22.4 | 56.4 |
| Georgia | 4.8 | 2.8 | 5.0 | 9.9 | 27.4 | 49.6 |
| Hawaii | 4.8 | 5.9 | 8.7 | 15.6 | 36.3 | 28.3 |
| Idaho | 3.2 | 1.1 | 2.3 | 6.1 | 30.1 | 57.0 |
| Illinois | 7.7 | 4.7 | 8.4 | 14.6 | 30.5 | 33.8 |
| Indiana | 3.1 | 1.6 | 3.4 | 7.8 | 30.0 | 53.7 |
| Iowa | 2.7 | 1.2 | 2.8 | 7.2 | 27.0 | 58.7 |
| Kansas | 5.7 | 1.6 | 2.9 | 6.2 | 25.9 | 57.4 |
| Kentucky | 5.8 | 3.0 | 5.9 | 11.6 | 30.0 | 43.5 |
| Louisiana | 3.9 | 2.5 | 6.0 | 15.1 | 38.8 | 33.2 |
| Maine | 7.3 | 2.9 | 5.4 | 10.8 | 22.4 | 51.0 |
| Maryland | 5.7 | 2.9 | 6.4 | 13.0 | 26.1 | 45.5 |
| Massachusetts | 7.5 | 2.1 | 4.5 | 10.0 | 24.6 | 50.9 |
| Michigan | 5.6 | 2.6 | 5.0 | 10.1 | 27.2 | 49.2 |
| Minnesota | 7.7 | 3.5 | 6.3 | 10.0 | 23.4 | 48.8 |
| Mississippi | 6.2 | 2.9 | 5.4 | 10.9 | 31.4 | 42.4 |
| Missouri | 4.6 | 2.2 | 4.3 | 8.9 | 29.7 | 50.0 |
| Montana | 6.9 | 2.5 | 4.3 | 9.1 | 29.3 | 47.6 |
| Nebraska | 6.5 | 1.8 | 3.4 | 6.9 | 22.0 | 59.0 |
| Nevada | 4.3 | 1.8 | 3.5 | 8.4 | 27.5 | 53.9 |
| New Hampshire | 5.2 | 1.2 | 2.5 | 6.3 | 19.7 | 65.0 |
| New Jersey | 11.0 | 4.6 | 7.8 | 14.0 | 24.7 | 37.7 |
| New Mexico | 4.4 | 1.8 | 3.6 | 9.8 | 38.2 | 41.8 |
| New York | 13.5 | 8.8 | 10.4 | 14.8 | 23.2 | 29.1 |
| North Carolina | 3.0 | 1.4 | 3.0 | 7.2 | 25.7 | 59.3 |
| North Dakota | 9.9 | 3.4 | 5.7 | 10.5 | 24.4 | 46.0 |
| Ohio | 2.9 | 1.4 | 3.4 | 8.6 | 31.3 | 52.0 |
| Oklahoma | 5.8 | 2.0 | 3.8 | 9.3 | 35.8 | 43.0 |
| Oregon | 3.4 | 1.8 | 3.9 | 10.6 | 36.0 | 44.1 |
| Pennsylvania | 7.2 | 2.8 | 6.0 | 12.2 | 27.6 | 44.0 |
| Rhode Island | 7.8 | 3.2 | 6.8 | 14.3 | 29.2 | 38.4 |
| South Carolina | 2.5 | 1.3 | 2.7 | 6.7 | 24.6 | 61.7 |
| South Dakota | 10.9 | 3.8 | 6.4 | 11.5 | 27.3 | 39.9 |
| Tennessee | 4.3 | 2.1 | 4.2 | 8.8 | 28.5 | 51.7 |
| Texas | 2.9 | 1.3 | 3.1 | 9.2 | 35.0 | 48.0 |
| Utah | 3.0 | 1.3 | 3.0 | 7.4 | 30.4 | 54.7 |
| Vermont | 5.0 | 2.8 | 4.8 | 10.4 | 26.0 | 50.8 |
| Virginia | 5.2 | 1.8 | 3.8 | 8.2 | 24.8 | 55.9 |
| Virgin Islands | 4.9 | 4.1 | 9.0 | 15.8 | 32.8 | 32.9 |
| Washington | 3.0 | 2.0 | 4.1 | 9.2 | 30.4 | 51.0 |
| West Virginia | 4.5 | 1.6 | 3.7 | 9.3 | 29.8 | 50.9 |
| Wisconsin | 5.0 | 1.6 | 3.7 | 8.3 | 26.3 | 54.6 |
| Wyoming | 3.6 | 1.0 | 2.0 | 5.2 | 25.8 | 62.2 |

Source: USDA, Food and Nutrition Service. EBT Redemption Transactions from ALERT System, FY2003. Average monthly statistics.

Table B-10—Total Monthly EBT Redemption Per Household, and Distribution of Households by Total Monthly Amount, FY2003

| | Avg monthly number of households | Monthly household redemption | Total monthly EBT redemption | | | | | |
|----------------------------|---|------------------------------------|------------------------------|---------|----------|-----------|-----------|---------|
| | | | < \$25 | \$26-50 | \$51-100 | \$101-200 | \$201-300 | > \$300 |
| | | | <i>Percent of households</i> | | | | | |
| Total U.S. | 8,466,608 | \$195 | 9.2% | 7.4% | 13.3% | 30.5% | 17.9% | 21.7% |
| Alabama | 182,866 | 212 | 7.4 | 7.6 | 13.1 | 26.0 | 19.5 | 26.5 |
| Alaska | 17,297 | 317 | 9.8 | 4.0 | 7.2 | 24.0 | 15.6 | 39.4 |
| Arizona | 183,585 | 225 | 5.3 | 4.5 | 10.9 | 32.3 | 19.9 | 27.2 |
| Arkansas | 123,640 | 205 | 9.6 | 8.2 | 11.7 | 27.1 | 18.5 | 24.9 |
| California | 220,739 | 212 | 4.0 | 3.0 | 10.0 | 37.4 | 23.9 | 21.8 |
| Colorado | 83,532 | 202 | 10.8 | 6.9 | 13.1 | 26.7 | 18.4 | 24.1 |
| Connecticut | 88,150 | 157 | 16.8 | 7.1 | 14.8 | 33.1 | 13.9 | 14.3 |
| Delaware | 11,443 | 193 | 8.3 | 6.6 | 14.7 | 31.0 | 18.8 | 20.7 |
| District of Columbia | 38,308 | 191 | 7.7 | 4.9 | 10.6 | 38.9 | 19.4 | 18.5 |
| Florida | 482,533 | 171 | 10.0 | 9.6 | 18.2 | 30.4 | 14.9 | 16.9 |
| Georgia | 308,361 | 211 | 8.4 | 7.1 | 12.2 | 27.8 | 18.9 | 25.7 |
| Hawaii | 49,510 | 263 | 2.8 | 2.6 | 9.8 | 33.4 | 20.5 | 31.0 |
| Idaho | 32,452 | 196 | 10.7 | 9.4 | 12.5 | 25.0 | 19.0 | 23.3 |
| Illinois | 428,984 | 203 | 7.6 | 7.0 | 14.3 | 30.5 | 17.2 | 23.4 |
| Indiana | 198,184 | 203 | 8.0 | 6.0 | 14.5 | 28.7 | 18.8 | 23.9 |
| Iowa | 31,799 | 186 | 8.9 | 7.4 | 15.5 | 30.1 | 18.4 | 19.7 |
| Kansas | 67,170 | 174 | 13.2 | 9.8 | 14.6 | 27.5 | 16.2 | 18.6 |
| Kentucky | 209,885 | 193 | 9.2 | 8.6 | 14.8 | 26.5 | 18.6 | 22.3 |
| Louisiana | 254,497 | 225 | 5.2 | 5.3 | 13.2 | 28.6 | 19.8 | 27.9 |
| Maine | 54,528 | 161 | 8.4 | 7.6 | 18.6 | 36.8 | 15.9 | 12.7 |
| Maryland | 111,999 | 189 | 10.2 | 7.6 | 13.4 | 31.1 | 17.2 | 20.4 |
| Massachusetts | 124,201 | 170 | 11.6 | 7.8 | 14.2 | 33.2 | 17.2 | 16.0 |
| Michigan | 351,646 | 185 | 11.0 | 6.4 | 15.3 | 31.3 | 16.4 | 19.7 |
| Minnesota | 96,824 | 193 | 14.2 | 7.2 | 9.4 | 25.0 | 19.7 | 24.5 |
| Mississippi | 142,947 | 199 | 10.9 | 13.6 | 11.2 | 22.0 | 17.4 | 24.9 |
| Missouri | 243,648 | 193 | 9.5 | 7.9 | 14.2 | 29.2 | 17.4 | 21.9 |
| Montana | 28,876 | 198 | 9.2 | 6.5 | 13.7 | 29.0 | 19.3 | 22.4 |
| Nebraska | 41,611 | 178 | 16.2 | 8.6 | 13.7 | 23.9 | 17.4 | 20.2 |
| Nevada | 47,374 | 199 | 9.3 | 7.6 | 16.0 | 27.9 | 16.2 | 23.0 |
| New Hampshire | 20,798 | 160 | 16.0 | 9.0 | 14.9 | 28.0 | 16.6 | 15.4 |
| New Jersey | 155,115 | 183 | 9.2 | 6.2 | 12.9 | 37.2 | 16.8 | 17.7 |
| New Mexico | 74,256 | 205 | 8.5 | 7.2 | 12.8 | 26.8 | 20.4 | 24.3 |
| New York | 735,648 | 189 | 7.3 | 4.7 | 9.7 | 43.7 | 17.6 | 17.0 |
| North Carolina | 267,400 | 199 | 10.4 | 8.7 | 13.2 | 25.1 | 18.7 | 23.9 |
| North Dakota | 16,813 | 181 | 11.8 | 6.1 | 15.2 | 30.5 | 17.6 | 18.9 |
| Ohio | 367,801 | 191 | 10.3 | 6.8 | 15.6 | 28.6 | 17.6 | 21.1 |
| Oklahoma | 149,280 | 202 | 14.7 | 7.2 | 10.9 | 23.0 | 18.3 | 25.9 |
| Oregon | 179,255 | 171 | 10.4 | 6.1 | 13.2 | 38.8 | 16.4 | 15.1 |
| Pennsylvania | 365,835 | 179 | 10.7 | 7.2 | 14.9 | 32.0 | 16.7 | 18.5 |
| Rhode Island | 33,836 | 172 | 14.2 | 5.5 | 12.2 | 33.5 | 18.3 | 16.2 |
| South Carolina | 183,577 | 201 | 7.3 | 11.8 | 10.5 | 27.0 | 19.4 | 24.0 |
| South Dakota | 20,021 | 210 | 9.5 | 7.0 | 13.6 | 26.6 | 17.6 | 25.6 |
| Tennessee | 312,598 | 192 | 11.4 | 7.5 | 12.8 | 28.5 | 18.2 | 21.6 |
| Texas | 726,384 | 215 | 7.2 | 10.7 | 11.5 | 24.3 | 19.0 | 27.4 |
| Utah | 39,414 | 210 | 9.1 | 6.5 | 12.2 | 27.9 | 19.7 | 24.6 |
| Vermont | 13,649 | 195 | 7.1 | 4.7 | 10.9 | 35.4 | 22.3 | 19.6 |
| Virginia | 167,393 | 178 | 14.2 | 9.9 | 14.5 | 24.8 | 16.5 | 20.1 |
| Virgin Islands | 4,387 | 350 | 1.4 | 1.4 | 5.9 | 27.6 | 12.6 | 51.1 |
| Washington | 196,527 | 170 | 6.7 | 4.8 | 21.4 | 36.3 | 16.1 | 14.6 |
| West Virginia | 59,230 | 177 | 9.9 | 9.6 | 16.3 | 27.4 | 18.1 | 18.8 |
| Wisconsin | 110,849 | 176 | 16.6 | 7.0 | 12.8 | 28.8 | 16.5 | 18.4 |
| Wyoming | 9,955 | 196 | 10.1 | 6.7 | 14.9 | 26.8 | 18.7 | 22.7 |

Source: USDA, Food and Nutrition Service. EBT Redemption Transactions from ALERT System, FY2003. Average monthly statistics.

Table B-11—Average Number of EBT Transactions Per Month, for Households Grouped by Total Monthly Redemption, FY2003

| | Avg monthly number of households | Average number of EBT purchase transactions | | | | | | |
|----------------------------|---|---|--|---------|----------|-----------|-----------|---------|
| | | All households | Households grouped by total monthly redemption | | | | | |
| | | | < \$25 | \$26-50 | \$51-100 | \$101-200 | \$201-300 | > \$300 |
| Total U.S. | 8,466,608 | 7.6 | 1.7 | 2.8 | 4.3 | 6.9 | 9.4 | 13.5 |
| Alabama | 182,866 | 7.6 | 1.7 | 2.7 | 4.0 | 6.3 | 8.9 | 12.6 |
| Alaska | 17,297 | 8.8 | 1.5 | 2.3 | 3.5 | 6.2 | 7.8 | 14.3 |
| Arizona | 183,585 | 8.8 | 1.7 | 3.0 | 4.4 | 6.9 | 9.5 | 14.5 |
| Arkansas | 123,640 | 7.7 | 1.6 | 2.8 | 4.2 | 6.6 | 9.3 | 13.2 |
| California | 220,739 | 8.1 | 1.6 | 2.7 | 4.4 | 6.7 | 9.0 | 13.2 |
| Colorado | 83,532 | 7.1 | 1.6 | 2.7 | 4.2 | 6.3 | 8.5 | 12.3 |
| Connecticut | 88,150 | 5.8 | 1.6 | 2.6 | 3.7 | 5.8 | 8.2 | 12.2 |
| Delaware | 11,443 | 6.4 | 1.6 | 2.4 | 3.7 | 5.6 | 8.0 | 11.4 |
| District of Columbia | 38,308 | 7.3 | 1.9 | 3.1 | 4.5 | 7.0 | 8.3 | 11.8 |
| Florida | 482,533 | 6.2 | 1.6 | 2.6 | 3.8 | 6.0 | 8.3 | 12.0 |
| Georgia | 308,361 | 7.2 | 1.6 | 2.7 | 4.0 | 6.3 | 8.4 | 11.9 |
| Hawaii | 49,510 | 12.8 | 1.7 | 3.4 | 6.4 | 10.0 | 13.1 | 19.2 |
| Idaho | 32,452 | 7.6 | 1.7 | 2.8 | 4.3 | 6.7 | 9.4 | 13.6 |
| Illinois | 428,984 | 8.3 | 1.9 | 3.3 | 4.8 | 7.0 | 9.9 | 14.5 |
| Indiana | 198,184 | 7.4 | 1.7 | 2.7 | 4.1 | 6.4 | 8.9 | 12.6 |
| Iowa | 31,799 | 7.7 | 1.8 | 2.9 | 4.5 | 7.0 | 9.7 | 13.9 |
| Kansas | 67,170 | 6.8 | 1.7 | 2.8 | 4.2 | 6.6 | 9.1 | 13.0 |
| Kentucky | 209,885 | 7.4 | 1.6 | 2.7 | 4.0 | 6.4 | 9.4 | 13.6 |
| Louisiana | 254,497 | 9.0 | 1.8 | 3.1 | 4.7 | 7.3 | 10.0 | 14.6 |
| Maine | 54,528 | 6.4 | 1.6 | 2.6 | 4.2 | 6.5 | 8.4 | 11.6 |
| Maryland | 111,999 | 7.3 | 1.7 | 2.8 | 4.0 | 7.0 | 9.2 | 13.0 |
| Massachusetts | 124,201 | 5.7 | 1.6 | 2.5 | 3.7 | 5.5 | 7.4 | 10.8 |
| Michigan | 351,646 | 7.1 | 1.7 | 2.8 | 4.2 | 6.4 | 9.0 | 13.3 |
| Minnesota | 96,824 | 6.5 | 1.6 | 2.5 | 3.7 | 5.7 | 7.6 | 11.6 |
| Mississippi | 142,947 | 7.5 | 1.7 | 2.8 | 4.2 | 6.7 | 9.4 | 13.6 |
| Missouri | 243,648 | 7.4 | 1.7 | 2.8 | 4.2 | 6.6 | 9.1 | 13.1 |
| Montana | 28,876 | 8.1 | 1.7 | 2.7 | 4.4 | 7.2 | 9.9 | 14.2 |
| Nebraska | 41,611 | 6.7 | 1.6 | 2.6 | 4.0 | 6.4 | 8.8 | 12.9 |
| Nevada | 47,374 | 7.4 | 1.8 | 3.0 | 4.4 | 6.9 | 8.8 | 12.8 |
| New Hampshire | 20,798 | 5.2 | 1.5 | 2.4 | 3.6 | 5.4 | 7.1 | 10.0 |
| New Jersey | 155,115 | 7.8 | 1.7 | 2.8 | 4.2 | 7.1 | 9.9 | 14.7 |
| New Mexico | 74,256 | 7.7 | 1.6 | 2.8 | 4.2 | 6.4 | 9.1 | 13.5 |
| New York | 735,648 | 9.3 | 1.8 | 2.9 | 5.2 | 8.7 | 11.9 | 15.5 |
| North Carolina | 267,400 | 7.0 | 1.6 | 2.6 | 4.0 | 6.2 | 8.6 | 12.2 |
| North Dakota | 16,813 | 6.9 | 1.5 | 2.4 | 4.1 | 6.4 | 8.9 | 12.8 |
| Ohio | 367,801 | 7.1 | 1.6 | 2.8 | 4.1 | 6.4 | 8.9 | 13.1 |
| Oklahoma | 149,280 | 8.5 | 1.8 | 2.9 | 4.4 | 7.3 | 10.5 | 15.4 |
| Oregon | 179,255 | 8.4 | 1.7 | 3.1 | 5.1 | 8.6 | 10.7 | 15.1 |
| Pennsylvania | 365,835 | 7.2 | 1.7 | 2.9 | 4.3 | 6.7 | 9.2 | 13.5 |
| Rhode Island | 33,836 | 7.0 | 1.6 | 2.6 | 3.9 | 6.5 | 9.3 | 13.8 |
| South Carolina | 183,577 | 6.8 | 1.6 | 2.5 | 3.8 | 6.0 | 8.3 | 11.4 |
| South Dakota | 20,021 | 8.1 | 1.6 | 2.3 | 4.4 | 6.8 | 9.6 | 14.3 |
| Tennessee | 312,598 | 7.1 | 1.5 | 2.6 | 4.0 | 6.3 | 8.9 | 12.8 |
| Texas | 726,384 | 8.1 | 1.6 | 2.6 | 4.1 | 6.5 | 9.5 | 14.2 |
| Utah | 39,414 | 8.1 | 1.7 | 3.0 | 4.5 | 7.0 | 9.4 | 13.8 |
| Vermont | 13,649 | 6.8 | 1.6 | 2.5 | 3.8 | 6.3 | 8.0 | 10.8 |
| Virginia | 167,393 | 6.6 | 1.6 | 2.6 | 3.8 | 6.2 | 8.8 | 12.6 |
| Virgin Islands | 4,387 | 9.0 | 1.7 | 2.5 | 3.8 | 6.1 | 7.7 | 12.0 |
| Washington | 196,527 | 7.7 | 1.7 | 3.1 | 5.2 | 7.3 | 9.8 | 14.0 |
| West Virginia | 59,230 | 7.0 | 1.6 | 2.6 | 3.9 | 6.4 | 9.3 | 13.4 |
| Wisconsin | 110,849 | 6.7 | 1.6 | 2.7 | 4.2 | 6.5 | 8.7 | 13.0 |
| Wyoming | 9,955 | 6.9 | 1.4 | 2.5 | 3.9 | 5.9 | 8.4 | 12.4 |

Source: USDA, Food and Nutrition Service. EBT Redemption Transactions from ALERT System, FY2003. Average monthly statistics.

Table B-12—Average Purchase Amount Per Transaction, for Households Grouped by Total Monthly Redemption, FY2003

| | Avg monthly number of households | Average EBT purchase amount | | | | | | |
|----------------------------|---|-----------------------------|--|---------|----------|-----------|-----------|---------|
| | | All households | Households grouped by total monthly redemption | | | | | |
| | | | < \$25 | \$26-50 | \$51-100 | \$101-200 | \$201-300 | > \$300 |
| Total U.S. | 8,466,608 | \$25.52 | \$7.35 | \$13.74 | \$17.85 | \$21.13 | \$26.73 | \$32.05 |
| Alabama | 182,866 | 28.08 | 7.52 | 13.96 | 18.72 | 23.04 | 27.97 | 33.75 |
| Alaska | 17,297 | 36.00 | 7.93 | 16.17 | 21.81 | 25.07 | 31.92 | 41.46 |
| Arizona | 183,585 | 25.70 | 6.73 | 12.95 | 17.23 | 20.69 | 26.08 | 30.26 |
| Arkansas | 123,640 | 26.65 | 7.47 | 13.37 | 17.85 | 21.90 | 26.82 | 32.30 |
| California | 220,739 | 26.21 | 7.03 | 14.00 | 17.97 | 21.82 | 27.33 | 31.20 |
| Colorado | 83,532 | 28.36 | 7.31 | 13.83 | 17.97 | 22.58 | 29.33 | 35.27 |
| Connecticut | 88,150 | 26.99 | 7.48 | 14.59 | 20.15 | 24.28 | 30.38 | 34.34 |
| Delaware | 11,443 | 29.98 | 7.87 | 15.68 | 20.45 | 25.51 | 30.92 | 37.10 |
| District of Columbia | 38,308 | 26.19 | 6.54 | 12.33 | 16.91 | 20.19 | 29.33 | 35.64 |
| Florida | 482,533 | 27.59 | 7.94 | 14.43 | 19.74 | 23.68 | 29.80 | 35.62 |
| Georgia | 308,361 | 29.25 | 7.62 | 14.00 | 18.97 | 22.93 | 29.45 | 36.32 |
| Hawaii | 49,510 | 20.60 | 6.40 | 11.02 | 12.64 | 14.55 | 17.92 | 26.33 |
| Idaho | 32,452 | 25.77 | 7.16 | 13.26 | 17.42 | 21.55 | 26.33 | 31.23 |
| Illinois | 428,984 | 24.57 | 6.37 | 11.50 | 15.73 | 20.24 | 25.10 | 30.48 |
| Indiana | 198,184 | 27.42 | 7.32 | 14.24 | 18.36 | 22.34 | 27.95 | 33.59 |
| Iowa | 31,799 | 24.13 | 7.02 | 12.98 | 16.59 | 20.48 | 25.58 | 29.78 |
| Kansas | 67,170 | 25.49 | 7.44 | 13.52 | 17.67 | 21.66 | 27.20 | 32.35 |
| Kentucky | 209,885 | 25.94 | 7.81 | 14.19 | 18.40 | 22.47 | 26.55 | 30.85 |
| Louisiana | 254,497 | 24.85 | 6.29 | 12.50 | 16.20 | 19.67 | 24.79 | 29.83 |
| Maine | 54,528 | 25.39 | 7.96 | 14.29 | 18.15 | 21.67 | 29.30 | 34.93 |
| Maryland | 111,999 | 25.87 | 7.16 | 13.47 | 18.58 | 20.34 | 27.15 | 33.38 |
| Massachusetts | 124,201 | 29.78 | 7.74 | 14.69 | 20.89 | 26.25 | 33.42 | 37.59 |
| Michigan | 351,646 | 25.94 | 7.08 | 13.54 | 18.29 | 22.22 | 27.50 | 32.04 |
| Minnesota | 96,824 | 29.64 | 7.65 | 14.65 | 20.16 | 24.67 | 30.90 | 35.33 |
| Mississippi | 142,947 | 26.40 | 6.62 | 13.70 | 17.67 | 21.65 | 26.48 | 32.22 |
| Missouri | 243,648 | 26.30 | 7.46 | 13.43 | 17.62 | 21.79 | 27.30 | 32.68 |
| Montana | 28,876 | 24.41 | 7.25 | 13.85 | 16.94 | 20.16 | 25.29 | 29.48 |
| Nebraska | 41,611 | 26.63 | 7.88 | 14.48 | 18.43 | 22.61 | 28.07 | 32.71 |
| Nevada | 47,374 | 26.89 | 6.60 | 12.76 | 16.81 | 20.65 | 28.35 | 34.99 |
| New Hampshire | 20,798 | 30.58 | 7.86 | 15.23 | 20.98 | 26.82 | 34.52 | 40.39 |
| New Jersey | 155,115 | 23.49 | 7.41 | 13.37 | 17.94 | 19.98 | 24.89 | 29.00 |
| New Mexico | 74,256 | 26.54 | 7.26 | 13.63 | 18.02 | 22.42 | 27.18 | 31.37 |
| New York | 735,648 | 20.33 | 7.05 | 12.50 | 14.86 | 16.36 | 20.80 | 27.84 |
| North Carolina | 267,400 | 28.51 | 7.77 | 14.26 | 18.95 | 23.22 | 28.97 | 35.13 |
| North Dakota | 16,813 | 26.36 | 8.16 | 15.59 | 18.70 | 22.23 | 27.99 | 32.62 |
| Ohio | 367,801 | 26.77 | 7.50 | 13.93 | 18.33 | 22.48 | 27.84 | 33.00 |
| Oklahoma | 149,280 | 23.67 | 7.05 | 12.79 | 16.90 | 19.74 | 23.72 | 27.77 |
| Oregon | 179,255 | 20.37 | 6.87 | 12.03 | 14.86 | 16.51 | 23.14 | 27.25 |
| Pennsylvania | 365,835 | 24.88 | 7.14 | 13.08 | 17.36 | 21.16 | 26.90 | 31.05 |
| Rhode Island | 33,836 | 24.66 | 7.45 | 14.60 | 19.40 | 22.40 | 26.59 | 28.85 |
| South Carolina | 183,577 | 29.61 | 8.00 | 14.47 | 20.11 | 24.02 | 30.10 | 36.49 |
| South Dakota | 20,021 | 25.95 | 7.70 | 16.24 | 17.50 | 20.92 | 25.81 | 31.06 |
| Tennessee | 312,598 | 27.10 | 8.04 | 14.30 | 19.06 | 22.69 | 27.83 | 33.15 |
| Texas | 726,384 | 26.50 | 7.20 | 14.67 | 18.48 | 22.29 | 26.28 | 30.73 |
| Utah | 39,414 | 26.03 | 6.82 | 12.82 | 16.95 | 20.96 | 26.52 | 31.79 |
| Vermont | 13,649 | 28.90 | 7.69 | 15.36 | 20.11 | 23.37 | 30.79 | 36.71 |
| Virginia | 167,393 | 27.09 | 7.89 | 14.48 | 19.54 | 23.04 | 28.21 | 33.60 |
| Virgin Islands | 4,387 | 38.76 | 6.21 | 15.59 | 20.59 | 25.48 | 32.63 | 44.30 |
| Washington | 196,527 | 22.13 | 6.87 | 12.46 | 14.78 | 19.13 | 25.23 | 29.14 |
| West Virginia | 59,230 | 25.42 | 8.22 | 14.38 | 19.06 | 22.41 | 26.68 | 30.47 |
| Wisconsin | 110,849 | 26.37 | 7.38 | 13.76 | 18.39 | 22.18 | 28.49 | 33.24 |
| Wyoming | 9,955 | 28.51 | 7.95 | 15.09 | 19.48 | 24.16 | 29.58 | 34.12 |

Source: USDA, Food and Nutrition Service. EBT Redemption Transactions from ALERT System, FY2003. Average monthly statistics.

Table B-13—Average Percent of Benefits Redeemed At Supermarkets, for Households Grouped by Total Monthly Redemption, FY2003

| | Avg monthly number of households | Average percent of benefits redeemed at supermarkets ¹ | | | | | | |
|----------------------------|---|---|--|---------|----------|-----------|-----------|---------|
| | | All households | Households grouped by total monthly redemption | | | | | |
| | | | < \$25 | \$26-50 | \$51-100 | \$101-200 | \$201-300 | > \$300 |
| Total U.S. | 8,466,608 | 83.0% | 77.4% | 82.5% | 83.8% | 81.1% | 84.2% | 83.4% |
| Alabama | 182,866 | 85.4 | 78.7 | 82.2 | 84.0 | 84.6 | 86.3 | 85.6 |
| Alaska | 17,297 | 60.1 | 86.7 | 83.7 | 82.2 | 86.5 | 76.5 | 52.3 |
| Arizona | 183,585 | 90.0 | 81.5 | 88.0 | 90.1 | 89.9 | 90.9 | 89.7 |
| Arkansas | 123,640 | 87.2 | 81.0 | 85.0 | 86.2 | 86.3 | 87.6 | 87.5 |
| California | 220,739 | 82.8 | 76.4 | 81.1 | 80.9 | 82.0 | 83.8 | 82.8 |
| Colorado | 83,532 | 86.2 | 76.9 | 83.8 | 85.0 | 85.7 | 86.7 | 86.4 |
| Connecticut | 88,150 | 75.3 | 67.0 | 74.9 | 78.0 | 72.9 | 78.1 | 75.5 |
| Delaware | 11,443 | 90.6 | 89.3 | 90.9 | 91.7 | 91.0 | 91.2 | 90.1 |
| District of Columbia | 38,308 | 71.2 | 58.9 | 66.3 | 69.7 | 68.6 | 72.9 | 72.3 |
| Florida | 482,533 | 85.0 | 81.8 | 85.0 | 86.6 | 84.6 | 86.0 | 84.5 |
| Georgia | 308,361 | 85.0 | 78.8 | 81.5 | 83.4 | 83.2 | 85.8 | 85.6 |
| Hawaii | 49,510 | 76.0 | 72.5 | 79.1 | 78.1 | 74.3 | 73.8 | 77.0 |
| Idaho | 32,452 | 90.7 | 84.3 | 88.7 | 89.7 | 90.8 | 91.1 | 90.6 |
| Illinois | 428,984 | 75.9 | 69.4 | 74.8 | 75.7 | 73.7 | 77.5 | 76.4 |
| Indiana | 198,184 | 88.9 | 82.9 | 87.3 | 89.0 | 88.3 | 89.6 | 88.9 |
| Iowa | 31,799 | 89.9 | 85.8 | 88.2 | 90.7 | 90.2 | 90.6 | 89.2 |
| Kansas | 67,170 | 89.2 | 80.0 | 83.4 | 85.9 | 88.3 | 90.0 | 90.2 |
| Kentucky | 209,885 | 81.8 | 75.6 | 80.8 | 81.7 | 81.5 | 82.6 | 81.7 |
| Louisiana | 254,497 | 82.0 | 71.9 | 79.6 | 81.6 | 80.8 | 83.1 | 82.0 |
| Maine | 54,528 | 82.0 | 74.0 | 79.4 | 81.3 | 80.8 | 83.5 | 82.6 |
| Maryland | 111,999 | 81.6 | 77.5 | 80.3 | 81.6 | 79.6 | 82.3 | 82.3 |
| Massachusetts | 124,201 | 83.9 | 70.7 | 80.6 | 83.6 | 83.6 | 85.5 | 83.5 |
| Michigan | 351,646 | 83.6 | 78.6 | 82.1 | 84.2 | 83.1 | 85.4 | 83.2 |
| Minnesota | 96,824 | 79.1 | 73.4 | 80.4 | 82.6 | 81.4 | 83.1 | 76.3 |
| Mississippi | 142,947 | 82.7 | 75.0 | 78.8 | 81.6 | 81.7 | 83.2 | 83.2 |
| Missouri | 243,648 | 86.6 | 78.9 | 83.2 | 85.0 | 85.6 | 87.5 | 87.0 |
| Montana | 28,876 | 83.3 | 76.4 | 79.2 | 83.1 | 83.5 | 84.3 | 82.9 |
| Nebraska | 41,611 | 87.2 | 79.4 | 83.1 | 85.0 | 86.6 | 89.0 | 87.2 |
| Nevada | 47,374 | 88.2 | 81.8 | 85.6 | 86.4 | 85.3 | 89.0 | 89.4 |
| New Hampshire | 20,798 | 90.5 | 81.5 | 87.3 | 88.8 | 89.3 | 91.8 | 91.2 |
| New Jersey | 155,115 | 73.0 | 69.2 | 74.9 | 76.4 | 70.9 | 74.8 | 73.1 |
| New Mexico | 74,256 | 86.1 | 78.6 | 84.2 | 85.7 | 85.7 | 86.5 | 86.2 |
| New York | 735,648 | 64.4 | 62.0 | 65.6 | 71.2 | 62.8 | 65.8 | 64.4 |
| North Carolina | 267,400 | 90.2 | 84.7 | 88.0 | 89.1 | 89.6 | 90.9 | 90.3 |
| North Dakota | 16,813 | 77.4 | 74.8 | 77.7 | 77.2 | 78.2 | 79.5 | 75.8 |
| Ohio | 367,801 | 88.4 | 84.3 | 87.5 | 89.3 | 88.6 | 89.3 | 87.8 |
| Oklahoma | 149,280 | 85.8 | 76.6 | 82.2 | 84.9 | 85.1 | 86.5 | 86.1 |
| Oregon | 179,255 | 86.6 | 80.2 | 85.0 | 86.8 | 85.0 | 87.9 | 87.2 |
| Pennsylvania | 365,835 | 81.0 | 72.5 | 79.2 | 81.9 | 79.3 | 82.5 | 81.4 |
| Rhode Island | 33,836 | 77.8 | 72.3 | 77.0 | 79.6 | 77.6 | 79.6 | 76.7 |
| South Carolina | 183,577 | 90.9 | 87.3 | 88.2 | 90.7 | 90.1 | 91.5 | 91.1 |
| South Dakota | 20,021 | 75.4 | 71.9 | 62.4 | 75.9 | 77.9 | 78.4 | 73.6 |
| Tennessee | 312,598 | 86.8 | 81.1 | 84.8 | 85.6 | 85.9 | 87.5 | 87.2 |
| Texas | 726,384 | 88.2 | 82.3 | 88.1 | 88.6 | 88.5 | 88.8 | 87.9 |
| Utah | 39,414 | 89.9 | 84.1 | 87.9 | 88.7 | 88.6 | 90.7 | 90.3 |
| Vermont | 13,649 | 84.3 | 74.5 | 82.1 | 84.0 | 83.8 | 85.0 | 84.4 |
| Virginia | 167,393 | 87.2 | 81.4 | 84.4 | 85.9 | 86.4 | 88.2 | 87.6 |
| Virgin Islands | 4,387 | 74.0 | 75.7 | 77.7 | 84.8 | 77.5 | 83.2 | 72.2 |
| Washington | 196,527 | 87.0 | 83.6 | 86.4 | 85.6 | 87.1 | 88.4 | 86.3 |
| West Virginia | 59,230 | 86.7 | 80.7 | 85.1 | 87.1 | 86.4 | 87.2 | 86.8 |
| Wisconsin | 110,849 | 87.3 | 82.2 | 85.2 | 86.8 | 86.8 | 88.7 | 87.1 |
| Wyoming | 9,955 | 91.3 | 86.5 | 88.7 | 90.0 | 90.4 | 92.2 | 91.6 |

¹ Percents are calculated as (supermarket redemption) / (total monthly redemption).

Source: USDA, Food and Nutrition Service. EBT Redemption Transactions from ALERT System, FY2003. Average monthly statistics.

Table B-14—Percent of Households with No Supermarket Redemption, for Households Grouped by Total Monthly Redemption, FY2003

| | Avg monthly number of households | Percent of households with no supermarket redemption | | | | | | |
|----------------------------|---|--|--|---------|----------|-----------|-----------|---------|
| | | All households | Households grouped by total monthly redemption | | | | | |
| | | | < \$25 | \$26-50 | \$51-100 | \$101-200 | \$201-300 | > \$300 |
| Total U.S. | 8,466,608 | 5.7% | 20.8% | 10.4% | 6.3% | 5.1% | 2.0% | 1.2% |
| Alabama | 182,866 | 4.3 | 19.0 | 10.6 | 6.6 | 3.3 | 1.2 | 0.6 |
| Alaska | 17,297 | 16.0 | 13.1 | 12.5 | 13.0 | 6.7 | 15.2 | 23.5 |
| Arizona | 183,585 | 2.0 | 18.5 | 5.5 | 2.4 | 1.2 | 0.4 | 0.2 |
| Arkansas | 123,640 | 3.9 | 16.8 | 8.1 | 4.9 | 2.5 | 1.1 | 0.6 |
| California | 220,739 | 4.3 | 23.8 | 10.8 | 7.2 | 4.6 | 1.7 | 0.9 |
| Colorado | 83,532 | 5.1 | 21.8 | 9.5 | 5.8 | 3.1 | 1.5 | 0.8 |
| Connecticut | 88,150 | 13.1 | 30.8 | 17.7 | 11.6 | 11.7 | 4.6 | 3.0 |
| Delaware | 11,443 | 1.9 | 9.0 | 4.2 | 2.5 | 1.2 | 0.3 | 0.2 |
| District of Columbia | 38,308 | 8.9 | 36.9 | 20.8 | 12.8 | 7.5 | 2.8 | 1.3 |
| Florida | 482,533 | 5.0 | 16.8 | 8.7 | 5.2 | 4.0 | 1.3 | 0.7 |
| Georgia | 308,361 | 4.8 | 19.2 | 11.1 | 6.7 | 3.9 | 1.5 | 0.8 |
| Hawaii | 49,510 | 4.8 | 29.2 | 10.2 | 6.2 | 5.2 | 4.2 | 1.6 |
| Idaho | 32,452 | 3.2 | 14.0 | 6.2 | 3.5 | 1.6 | 0.8 | 0.5 |
| Illinois | 428,984 | 7.7 | 27.6 | 14.2 | 9.8 | 7.7 | 2.8 | 1.4 |
| Indiana | 198,184 | 3.1 | 15.3 | 6.7 | 3.6 | 2.3 | 0.9 | 0.5 |
| Iowa | 31,799 | 2.7 | 11.5 | 6.7 | 2.9 | 1.6 | 0.8 | 0.4 |
| Kansas | 67,170 | 5.7 | 17.6 | 10.9 | 6.8 | 3.3 | 1.6 | 0.8 |
| Kentucky | 209,885 | 5.8 | 22.4 | 11.4 | 7.2 | 4.2 | 1.8 | 1.0 |
| Louisiana | 254,497 | 3.9 | 26.3 | 10.3 | 5.7 | 3.2 | 1.0 | 0.5 |
| Maine | 54,528 | 7.3 | 24.7 | 13.7 | 8.5 | 5.5 | 2.4 | 1.3 |
| Maryland | 111,999 | 5.7 | 20.7 | 11.3 | 8.0 | 4.4 | 1.3 | 0.5 |
| Massachusetts | 124,201 | 7.5 | 28.3 | 13.0 | 7.4 | 5.0 | 1.8 | 1.0 |
| Michigan | 351,646 | 5.6 | 19.3 | 10.2 | 6.1 | 4.6 | 1.6 | 1.0 |
| Minnesota | 96,824 | 7.7 | 25.4 | 13.4 | 8.3 | 6.0 | 2.5 | 1.5 |
| Mississippi | 142,947 | 6.4 | 23.1 | 12.6 | 7.1 | 3.8 | 1.7 | 0.9 |
| Missouri | 243,648 | 4.6 | 18.8 | 9.7 | 5.6 | 2.9 | 1.2 | 0.7 |
| Montana | 28,876 | 6.9 | 23.0 | 15.5 | 8.4 | 5.4 | 3.2 | 2.3 |
| Nebraska | 41,611 | 6.5 | 18.7 | 11.8 | 7.6 | 4.2 | 1.5 | 0.9 |
| Nevada | 47,374 | 4.3 | 16.7 | 7.6 | 4.9 | 4.0 | 1.1 | 0.3 |
| New Hampshire | 20,798 | 5.2 | 17.5 | 7.5 | 4.8 | 3.1 | 0.7 | 0.4 |
| New Jersey | 155,115 | 11.0 | 29.8 | 16.6 | 11.7 | 11.5 | 5.0 | 3.3 |
| New Mexico | 74,256 | 4.4 | 21.4 | 8.7 | 5.0 | 3.1 | 1.4 | 0.8 |
| New York | 735,648 | 13.5 | 35.1 | 25.8 | 13.8 | 13.6 | 7.6 | 6.2 |
| North Carolina | 267,400 | 3.0 | 13.6 | 6.4 | 3.5 | 1.6 | 0.5 | 0.2 |
| North Dakota | 16,813 | 9.9 | 23.2 | 16.7 | 14.0 | 8.4 | 4.4 | 3.5 |
| Ohio | 367,801 | 2.9 | 13.6 | 6.0 | 3.1 | 1.7 | 0.6 | 0.3 |
| Oklahoma | 149,280 | 5.8 | 21.2 | 10.3 | 5.8 | 3.4 | 1.5 | 0.9 |
| Oregon | 179,255 | 3.4 | 17.0 | 6.9 | 3.2 | 1.7 | 0.5 | 0.2 |
| Pennsylvania | 365,835 | 7.2 | 25.9 | 12.7 | 7.4 | 5.9 | 1.9 | 1.0 |
| Rhode Island | 33,836 | 7.8 | 25.5 | 14.3 | 7.9 | 5.7 | 2.0 | 1.2 |
| South Carolina | 183,577 | 2.5 | 11.4 | 6.6 | 2.9 | 1.5 | 0.6 | 0.3 |
| South Dakota | 20,021 | 10.9 | 26.4 | 32.7 | 15.3 | 8.3 | 5.0 | 3.8 |
| Tennessee | 312,598 | 4.3 | 16.8 | 8.5 | 5.2 | 2.7 | 1.0 | 0.5 |
| Texas | 726,384 | 2.9 | 17.4 | 6.2 | 3.5 | 1.7 | 0.7 | 0.3 |
| Utah | 39,414 | 3.0 | 14.8 | 5.8 | 3.5 | 2.3 | 0.6 | 0.3 |
| Vermont | 13,649 | 5.0 | 23.9 | 11.1 | 6.6 | 3.9 | 1.9 | 1.3 |
| Virginia | 167,393 | 5.2 | 16.9 | 9.6 | 5.8 | 3.0 | 0.9 | 0.4 |
| Virgin Islands | 4,387 | 4.9 | 28.1 | 16.2 | 6.5 | 9.1 | 3.0 | 2.0 |
| Washington | 196,527 | 3.0 | 15.3 | 6.0 | 3.9 | 1.9 | 0.7 | 0.4 |
| West Virginia | 59,230 | 4.5 | 17.4 | 8.9 | 4.9 | 2.7 | 1.2 | 0.6 |
| Wisconsin | 110,849 | 5.0 | 17.4 | 8.5 | 4.5 | 2.4 | 1.0 | 0.5 |
| Wyoming | 9,955 | 3.6 | 12.2 | 6.7 | 4.6 | 3.0 | 1.2 | 0.8 |

Source: USDA, Food and Nutrition Service. EBT Redemption Transactions from ALERT System, FY2003. Average monthly statistics.

Table B-15—EBT Transactions and Redemption at Out-of-State Retailers, FY2003

| | Average monthly out-of-state EBT redemption ¹ | | | | Households with any out-of-state transactions | |
|----------------------------|--|---------|------------------|---------|---|--|
| | Number of transactions | | Dollars redeemed | | Percent of all households | Avg % of dollars redeemed out-of-state |
| | Total | Percent | Total | Percent | | |
| Total U.S. | 882,471 | 1.4% | \$30,701,968 | 1.9% | 3.39% | 51.0% |
| Alabama | 26,265 | 1.9 | 872,649 | 2.2 | 4.90 | 43.0 |
| Alaska | 900 | 0.6 | 78,440 | 1.4 | 1.62 | 61.1 |
| Arizona | 32,163 | 2.0 | 1,183,260 | 2.8 | 4.37 | 54.4 |
| Arkansas | 18,776 | 2.0 | 614,597 | 2.4 | 5.08 | 45.7 |
| California | 5,853 | 0.3 | 159,464 | 0.3 | 0.60 | 56.0 |
| Colorado | 5,119 | 0.8 | 153,101 | 0.9 | 1.50 | 59.1 |
| Connecticut | 7,225 | 1.4 | 226,279 | 1.6 | 2.83 | 51.1 |
| Delaware | 1,960 | 2.8 | 61,442 | 2.8 | 6.50 | 40.4 |
| District of Columbia | 68,409 | 24.4 | 2,918,987 | 39.9 | 56.84 | 63.8 |
| Florida | 26,699 | 0.9 | 783,312 | 1.0 | 1.50 | 59.3 |
| Georgia | 44,891 | 2.0 | 1,433,023 | 2.2 | 4.31 | 47.8 |
| Hawaii | 1,072 | 0.2 | 29,142 | 0.2 | 0.44 | 69.8 |
| Idaho | 8,781 | 3.5 | 251,837 | 4.0 | 7.78 | 50.3 |
| Illinois | 25,288 | 0.7 | 1,150,078 | 1.3 | 2.39 | 49.0 |
| Indiana | 19,442 | 1.3 | 634,828 | 1.6 | 3.09 | 45.4 |
| Iowa | 2,458 | 1.0 | 74,125 | 1.2 | 2.74 | 39.2 |
| Kansas | 9,386 | 2.0 | 321,592 | 2.7 | 4.54 | 53.0 |
| Kentucky | 28,356 | 1.8 | 929,719 | 2.3 | 4.52 | 46.1 |
| Louisiana | 12,975 | 0.6 | 513,577 | 0.9 | 1.82 | 45.4 |
| Maine | 7,261 | 2.5 | 280,783 | 3.8 | 4.99 | 67.0 |
| Maryland | 12,662 | 1.5 | 424,570 | 2.0 | 4.10 | 41.5 |
| Massachusetts | 13,799 | 1.9 | 538,899 | 2.5 | 4.42 | 52.8 |
| Michigan | 19,958 | 0.8 | 672,191 | 1.0 | 1.82 | 53.2 |
| Minnesota | 9,436 | 1.5 | 314,653 | 1.7 | 2.89 | 54.0 |
| Mississippi | 23,288 | 2.2 | 652,756 | 2.3 | 5.75 | 41.6 |
| Missouri | 32,287 | 1.8 | 1,054,344 | 2.2 | 4.56 | 46.6 |
| Montana | 4,278 | 1.8 | 131,158 | 2.3 | 3.57 | 56.3 |
| Nebraska | 7,148 | 2.6 | 307,898 | 4.1 | 7.31 | 46.5 |
| Nevada | 4,585 | 1.3 | 132,095 | 1.4 | 2.27 | 60.4 |
| New Hampshire | 2,654 | 2.4 | 86,799 | 2.6 | 4.95 | 46.7 |
| New Jersey | 13,992 | 1.2 | 457,511 | 1.6 | 3.10 | 48.5 |
| New Mexico | 24,709 | 4.3 | 843,961 | 5.5 | 7.36 | 66.6 |
| New York | 41,447 | 0.6 | 1,397,862 | 1.0 | 1.77 | 54.1 |
| North Carolina | 27,539 | 1.5 | 868,385 | 1.6 | 3.44 | 44.5 |
| North Dakota | 2,779 | 2.4 | 77,498 | 2.5 | 6.22 | 39.2 |
| Ohio | 7,065 | 0.3 | 275,992 | 0.4 | 0.98 | 38.1 |
| Oklahoma | 18,236 | 1.4 | 665,969 | 2.2 | 3.60 | 55.0 |
| Oregon | 18,337 | 1.2 | 454,353 | 1.5 | 2.86 | 49.6 |
| Pennsylvania | 26,568 | 1.0 | 912,851 | 1.4 | 2.65 | 47.6 |
| Rhode Island | 8,942 | 3.8 | 373,260 | 6.4 | 12.53 | 48.5 |
| South Carolina | 18,677 | 1.5 | 593,392 | 1.6 | 3.11 | 47.0 |
| South Dakota | 6,406 | 4.0 | 343,783 | 8.2 | 11.61 | 49.0 |
| Tennessee | 76,953 | 3.4 | 2,817,286 | 4.7 | 8.74 | 49.1 |
| Texas | 16,405 | 0.3 | 624,804 | 0.4 | 0.65 | 53.1 |
| Utah | 8,115 | 2.5 | 269,994 | 3.3 | 3.72 | 63.4 |
| Vermont | 6,903 | 7.5 | 293,761 | 11.0 | 17.36 | 60.2 |
| Virginia | 19,330 | 1.8 | 627,200 | 2.1 | 4.02 | 48.2 |
| Virgin Islands | 248 | 0.6 | 8,316 | 0.5 | 1.03 | 68.9 |
| Washington | 24,122 | 1.6 | 627,224 | 1.9 | 3.78 | 47.8 |
| West Virginia | 25,550 | 6.7 | 945,960 | 9.6 | 14.66 | 63.1 |
| Wisconsin | 6,677 | 0.9 | 230,703 | 1.2 | 2.03 | 51.7 |
| Wyoming | 99 | 0.1 | 6,304 | 0.3 | 0.60 | 44.0 |

¹ Table shows the percent of transactions and redemption by in-state households at out-of-state retailers. Households may cross State boundaries when redeeming benefits.

Source: USDA, Food and Nutrition Service. EBT Redemption Transactions from ALERT System, FY2003. Average monthly statistics.

Table B-16—Average Percent of Monthly Benefit Redeemed By Days Since Issuance, FY2003

| | Avg monthly redemption (thousands) | Cumulative percent of monthly benefit redeemed by ¹ | | | | |
|----------------------------|---------------------------------------|--|-------|--------|--------|--------------|
| | | Day 1 | Day 7 | Day 14 | Day 21 | End of month |
| Total U.S. | \$1,649,522 | 20.4% | 59.5% | 79.8% | 90.8% | 97.3% |
| Alabama | 38,814 | 29.2 | 68.0 | 85.8 | 94.2 | 98.4 |
| Alaska | 5,484 | 17.5 | 55.0 | 76.7 | 88.8 | 96.4 |
| Arizona | 41,382 | 21.1 | 58.8 | 79.8 | 91.3 | 97.5 |
| Arkansas | 25,327 | 26.5 | 63.2 | 82.9 | 92.7 | 97.7 |
| California | 46,748 | 16.6 | 56.0 | 79.1 | 91.0 | 97.3 |
| Colorado | 16,912 | 19.3 | 56.5 | 77.4 | 89.5 | 96.6 |
| Connecticut | 13,827 | 21.6 | 64.3 | 83.3 | 92.6 | 97.8 |
| Delaware | 2,202 | 21.6 | 58.8 | 79.4 | 90.4 | 97.2 |
| District of Columbia | 7,314 | 15.7 | 58.1 | 81.6 | 92.1 | 97.7 |
| Florida | 82,371 | 19.2 | 57.0 | 78.8 | 90.5 | 97.1 |
| Georgia | 65,030 | 27.3 | 66.8 | 84.9 | 93.8 | 98.1 |
| Hawaii | 13,008 | 11.8 | 50.6 | 73.7 | 87.0 | 96.4 |
| Idaho | 6,367 | 19.0 | 56.4 | 77.1 | 89.4 | 96.8 |
| Illinois | 87,312 | 19.8 | 58.6 | 78.2 | 89.5 | 97.0 |
| Indiana | 40,300 | 19.0 | 56.5 | 78.8 | 90.5 | 97.1 |
| Iowa | 5,889 | 16.9 | 54.5 | 76.7 | 88.6 | 96.5 |
| Kansas | 11,683 | 23.5 | 61.1 | 80.8 | 91.5 | 97.3 |
| Kentucky | 40,508 | 20.7 | 58.9 | 80.4 | 91.4 | 97.5 |
| Louisiana | 57,175 | 22.0 | 57.4 | 73.2 | 85.7 | 97.0 |
| Maine | 8,710 | 19.2 | 58.2 | 79.3 | 90.3 | 96.6 |
| Maryland | 21,211 | 24.8 | 65.3 | 83.4 | 92.8 | 98.0 |
| Massachusetts | 21,097 | 23.9 | 63.9 | 82.8 | 92.5 | 97.7 |
| Michigan | 65,074 | 24.1 | 62.4 | 81.4 | 91.9 | 97.5 |
| Minnesota | 18,673 | 20.0 | 57.5 | 79.2 | 90.7 | 97.0 |
| Mississippi | 28,415 | 30.2 | 69.8 | 86.5 | 94.0 | 97.9 |
| Missouri | 47,133 | 20.9 | 57.6 | 79.2 | 90.9 | 97.3 |
| Montana | 5,710 | 20.0 | 58.6 | 79.0 | 90.3 | 96.7 |
| Nebraska | 7,419 | 17.4 | 54.9 | 76.6 | 89.1 | 96.7 |
| Nevada | 9,436 | 9.2 | 37.4 | 60.6 | 78.7 | 94.4 |
| New Hampshire | 3,324 | 24.5 | 59.4 | 79.4 | 90.7 | 97.1 |
| New Jersey | 28,338 | 18.2 | 59.7 | 80.3 | 91.1 | 97.7 |
| New Mexico | 15,238 | 16.0 | 56.0 | 78.4 | 90.8 | 97.3 |
| New York | 138,793 | 13.2 | 56.7 | 78.3 | 90.1 | 96.8 |
| North Carolina | 53,231 | 24.2 | 62.4 | 82.1 | 92.4 | 97.7 |
| North Dakota | 3,051 | 19.5 | 55.2 | 75.7 | 87.9 | 96.0 |
| Ohio | 70,234 | 17.9 | 57.0 | 77.8 | 89.7 | 96.7 |
| Oklahoma | 30,157 | 18.4 | 58.4 | 78.8 | 90.5 | 97.5 |
| Oregon | 30,626 | 19.8 | 58.2 | 79.4 | 91.0 | 97.5 |
| Pennsylvania | 65,386 | 8.3 | 60.4 | 81.7 | 92.2 | 97.3 |
| Rhode Island | 5,806 | 20.8 | 61.0 | 80.9 | 91.4 | 97.3 |
| South Carolina | 36,831 | 26.8 | 66.1 | 84.0 | 93.3 | 98.0 |
| South Dakota | 4,203 | 24.4 | 61.5 | 81.3 | 91.6 | 97.1 |
| Tennessee | 60,000 | 20.2 | 59.2 | 80.0 | 91.2 | 97.4 |
| Texas | 156,221 | 24.3 | 60.3 | 79.6 | 90.4 | 97.1 |
| Utah | 8,288 | 19.6 | 54.3 | 77.1 | 89.7 | 97.0 |
| Vermont | 2,663 | 21.8 | 59.0 | 79.0 | 90.1 | 96.9 |
| Virginia | 29,763 | 20.8 | 59.1 | 79.0 | 90.2 | 97.2 |
| Virgin Islands | 1,537 | 25.8 | 65.1 | 82.7 | 91.9 | 97.6 |
| Washington | 33,312 | 17.9 | 57.4 | 78.9 | 90.5 | 97.1 |
| West Virginia | 10,563 | 21.0 | 59.7 | 80.4 | 91.6 | 97.6 |
| Wisconsin | 19,477 | 20.8 | 58.0 | 79.3 | 90.4 | 96.7 |
| Wyoming | 1,951 | 17.9 | 54.3 | 75.6 | 88.4 | 96.5 |

¹ The monthly benefit is the amount issued in the current month. The percent redeemed does not reflect spending of benefits carried over from prior months.

Note: For each household, the regular monthly issuance date was imputed from EBT redemption patterns observed over the period from July 2002-December 2003. EBT was operational for fewer than 6 months in Delaware and Iowa, which may have resulted in less precise estimates.

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Table B-17—Distribution of Households by Percent of Monthly Benefit Redeemed in the First Week After Issuance, FY2003

| | Avg monthly number of households | Percent of benefits redeemed in first week after issuance ¹ | | | | | |
|----------------------------|----------------------------------|--|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------|
| | | < 10% | 10-25% | 26-50% | 51-75% | 76-90% | 91-100% |
| | | <i>Percent of households</i> | | | | | |
| Total U.S. | 8,466,608 | 14.6% | 6.4% | 16.0% | 19.3% | 13.0% | 30.8% |
| Alabama | 182,866 | 9.1 | 4.0 | 12.8 | 20.0 | 15.6 | 38.5 |
| Alaska | 17,297 | 17.4 | 6.9 | 18.0 | 20.6 | 12.3 | 25.0 |
| Arizona | 183,585 | 11.3 | 6.4 | 19.2 | 23.2 | 14.0 | 26.1 |
| Arkansas | 123,640 | 12.2 | 5.0 | 14.3 | 20.3 | 14.8 | 33.6 |
| California | 220,739 | 13.0 | 8.2 | 19.6 | 20.9 | 12.4 | 26.0 |
| Colorado | 83,532 | 16.3 | 6.5 | 16.8 | 20.3 | 13.2 | 27.1 |
| Connecticut | 88,150 | 16.9 | 5.1 | 12.2 | 15.8 | 11.5 | 38.6 |
| Delaware | 11,443 | 10.6 | 7.7 | 18.9 | 20.9 | 13.4 | 28.6 |
| District of Columbia | 38,308 | 18.0 | 6.5 | 13.6 | 17.1 | 12.3 | 32.7 |
| Florida | 482,533 | 18.2 | 6.2 | 14.8 | 17.7 | 12.1 | 31.1 |
| Georgia | 308,361 | 10.3 | 4.6 | 13.1 | 19.6 | 15.0 | 37.5 |
| Hawaii | 49,510 | 12.0 | 12.2 | 26.2 | 21.9 | 10.9 | 17.0 |
| Idaho | 32,452 | 14.0 | 6.8 | 18.8 | 21.9 | 13.6 | 25.0 |
| Illinois | 428,984 | 15.4 | 6.9 | 15.6 | 17.7 | 12.0 | 32.6 |
| Indiana | 198,184 | 14.8 | 7.0 | 17.3 | 20.8 | 13.4 | 26.8 |
| Iowa | 31,799 | 12.1 | 8.2 | 15.7 | 16.4 | 8.8 | 39.0 |
| Kansas | 67,170 | 13.2 | 5.8 | 16.0 | 20.3 | 14.0 | 30.9 |
| Kentucky | 209,885 | 14.1 | 5.5 | 15.8 | 20.4 | 14.0 | 30.4 |
| Louisiana | 254,497 | 20.1 | 8.1 | 14.6 | 17.3 | 13.0 | 27.2 |
| Maine | 54,528 | 13.3 | 7.8 | 18.4 | 20.2 | 13.2 | 27.3 |
| Maryland | 111,999 | 12.9 | 5.0 | 13.0 | 18.3 | 13.5 | 37.4 |
| Massachusetts | 124,201 | 13.6 | 5.0 | 13.8 | 18.1 | 13.0 | 36.6 |
| Michigan | 351,646 | 14.4 | 5.7 | 14.6 | 18.6 | 12.9 | 34.0 |
| Minnesota | 96,824 | 17.1 | 6.5 | 15.4 | 18.4 | 12.3 | 30.4 |
| Mississippi | 142,947 | 8.9 | 4.2 | 12.1 | 18.2 | 15.3 | 41.3 |
| Missouri | 243,648 | 15.6 | 6.3 | 14.9 | 18.5 | 13.2 | 31.6 |
| Montana | 28,876 | 13.6 | 7.3 | 18.9 | 21.4 | 13.2 | 25.8 |
| Nebraska | 41,611 | 18.7 | 6.7 | 17.4 | 19.0 | 11.9 | 26.3 |
| Nevada | 47,374 | 38.8 | 10.6 | 14.9 | 12.5 | 7.3 | 16.3 |
| New Hampshire | 20,798 | 16.8 | 5.4 | 16.0 | 19.7 | 12.6 | 29.7 |
| New Jersey | 155,115 | 15.2 | 6.8 | 16.0 | 18.0 | 11.6 | 32.5 |
| New Mexico | 74,256 | 16.7 | 6.4 | 15.4 | 19.9 | 13.6 | 28.1 |
| New York | 735,648 | 14.6 | 9.4 | 18.8 | 17.3 | 10.3 | 29.7 |
| North Carolina | 267,400 | 14.0 | 4.9 | 15.0 | 20.4 | 14.4 | 31.4 |
| North Dakota | 16,813 | 16.9 | 8.2 | 20.0 | 20.5 | 12.1 | 22.5 |
| Ohio | 367,801 | 16.5 | 6.2 | 16.5 | 19.7 | 12.7 | 28.5 |
| Oklahoma | 149,280 | 16.6 | 5.8 | 17.3 | 21.3 | 13.4 | 25.8 |
| Oregon | 179,255 | 14.3 | 6.8 | 18.2 | 21.3 | 13.2 | 26.4 |
| Pennsylvania | 365,835 | 14.5 | 7.0 | 15.8 | 18.1 | 12.8 | 31.9 |
| Rhode Island | 33,836 | 16.6 | 5.9 | 15.2 | 18.5 | 12.4 | 31.6 |
| South Carolina | 183,577 | 10.2 | 4.3 | 14.0 | 21.0 | 15.6 | 35.0 |
| South Dakota | 20,021 | 14.1 | 6.8 | 17.0 | 19.7 | 13.1 | 29.5 |
| Tennessee | 312,598 | 14.8 | 5.6 | 16.1 | 20.5 | 13.5 | 29.6 |
| Texas | 726,384 | 12.7 | 5.4 | 16.3 | 21.1 | 14.2 | 30.4 |
| Utah | 39,414 | 15.7 | 7.6 | 18.0 | 20.8 | 13.0 | 25.1 |
| Vermont | 13,649 | 13.5 | 6.5 | 18.1 | 21.2 | 13.5 | 27.4 |
| Virginia | 167,393 | 17.8 | 5.3 | 15.4 | 19.4 | 13.3 | 28.8 |
| Virgin Islands | 4,387 | 12.2 | 6.7 | 14.8 | 19.4 | 14.2 | 33.0 |
| Washington | 196,527 | 14.0 | 7.4 | 18.4 | 20.6 | 13.1 | 26.6 |
| West Virginia | 59,230 | 13.7 | 6.2 | 16.8 | 20.5 | 13.9 | 29.0 |
| Wisconsin | 110,849 | 18.3 | 5.6 | 13.6 | 16.7 | 12.0 | 33.9 |
| Wyoming | 9,955 | 18.8 | 6.6 | 17.9 | 20.7 | 12.7 | 23.4 |

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Table B-18—Distribution of Households by Percent of Monthly Benefit Redeemed in Two Weeks After Issuance, FY2003

| | Avg monthly number of households | Percent of benefits redeemed in two weeks after issuance ¹ | | | | | |
|----------------------------|----------------------------------|---|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------|
| | | < 10% | 10-25% | 26-50% | 51-75% | 76-90% | 91-100% |
| | | <i>Percent of households</i> | | | | | |
| Total U.S. | 8,466,608 | 5.1% | 1.8% | 7.0% | 15.1% | 14.7% | 56.4% |
| Alabama | 182,866 | 2.3 | 1.0 | 4.4 | 12.3 | 14.4 | 65.6 |
| Alaska | 17,297 | 7.8 | 2.0 | 7.7 | 16.2 | 15.3 | 51.0 |
| Arizona | 183,585 | 3.9 | 1.6 | 7.1 | 17.3 | 16.6 | 53.5 |
| Arkansas | 123,640 | 3.4 | 1.2 | 5.6 | 14.2 | 15.4 | 60.2 |
| California | 220,739 | 3.2 | 1.9 | 8.2 | 17.4 | 15.4 | 54.0 |
| Colorado | 83,532 | 6.2 | 2.0 | 7.4 | 16.2 | 15.7 | 52.6 |
| Connecticut | 88,150 | 6.4 | 1.5 | 5.4 | 11.4 | 12.0 | 63.3 |
| Delaware | 11,443 | 3.2 | 2.0 | 7.4 | 17.8 | 15.7 | 53.9 |
| District of Columbia | 38,308 | 4.7 | 2.0 | 6.3 | 13.2 | 13.7 | 60.2 |
| Florida | 482,533 | 5.6 | 1.9 | 7.1 | 14.8 | 14.0 | 56.6 |
| Georgia | 308,361 | 3.1 | 1.2 | 4.8 | 12.3 | 14.3 | 64.4 |
| Hawaii | 49,510 | 3.7 | 3.0 | 12.5 | 23.1 | 16.8 | 41.0 |
| Idaho | 32,452 | 5.3 | 1.7 | 7.9 | 18.2 | 17.2 | 49.7 |
| Illinois | 428,984 | 5.5 | 2.2 | 7.4 | 14.8 | 13.7 | 56.5 |
| Indiana | 198,184 | 4.2 | 1.9 | 7.9 | 17.2 | 16.3 | 52.6 |
| Iowa | 31,799 | 3.0 | 2.2 | 8.2 | 14.4 | 11.8 | 60.5 |
| Kansas | 67,170 | 4.5 | 1.6 | 6.7 | 15.5 | 15.6 | 56.1 |
| Kentucky | 209,885 | 4.0 | 1.4 | 6.6 | 15.9 | 16.0 | 56.2 |
| Louisiana | 254,497 | 13.5 | 4.4 | 8.0 | 12.5 | 12.6 | 49.2 |
| Maine | 54,528 | 3.4 | 2.2 | 8.9 | 16.9 | 15.1 | 53.6 |
| Maryland | 111,999 | 4.6 | 1.5 | 5.3 | 11.8 | 13.2 | 63.6 |
| Massachusetts | 124,201 | 4.4 | 1.4 | 5.8 | 13.0 | 13.3 | 62.2 |
| Michigan | 351,646 | 5.2 | 1.6 | 6.5 | 13.9 | 14.0 | 58.9 |
| Minnesota | 96,824 | 5.0 | 2.0 | 7.5 | 15.2 | 14.7 | 55.6 |
| Mississippi | 142,947 | 2.4 | 1.1 | 4.5 | 11.3 | 13.6 | 67.0 |
| Missouri | 243,648 | 4.4 | 2.1 | 7.3 | 14.7 | 14.6 | 57.0 |
| Montana | 28,876 | 4.8 | 2.0 | 8.2 | 17.5 | 16.3 | 51.1 |
| Nebraska | 41,611 | 7.4 | 1.9 | 8.1 | 16.4 | 14.9 | 51.3 |
| Nevada | 47,374 | 19.2 | 5.9 | 12.3 | 15.3 | 11.3 | 36.3 |
| New Hampshire | 20,798 | 6.3 | 1.6 | 7.0 | 15.6 | 15.0 | 54.5 |
| New Jersey | 155,115 | 5.4 | 1.8 | 6.8 | 14.6 | 13.6 | 57.9 |
| New Mexico | 74,256 | 5.0 | 2.0 | 7.3 | 15.6 | 15.7 | 54.4 |
| New York | 735,648 | 4.4 | 2.3 | 9.0 | 17.3 | 13.3 | 53.7 |
| North Carolina | 267,400 | 5.1 | 1.3 | 5.8 | 14.2 | 15.4 | 58.1 |
| North Dakota | 16,813 | 6.8 | 2.4 | 10.5 | 19.2 | 15.7 | 45.5 |
| Ohio | 367,801 | 5.9 | 1.9 | 7.3 | 15.7 | 15.0 | 54.2 |
| Oklahoma | 149,280 | 6.8 | 1.7 | 7.1 | 16.8 | 16.7 | 51.0 |
| Oregon | 179,255 | 5.1 | 1.8 | 7.6 | 17.0 | 16.0 | 52.6 |
| Pennsylvania | 365,835 | 4.1 | 1.7 | 6.6 | 14.4 | 14.2 | 59.0 |
| Rhode Island | 33,836 | 6.4 | 1.7 | 6.7 | 14.3 | 13.7 | 57.3 |
| South Carolina | 183,577 | 3.3 | 1.1 | 5.0 | 13.4 | 15.8 | 61.4 |
| South Dakota | 20,021 | 4.2 | 2.0 | 8.1 | 15.6 | 14.4 | 55.9 |
| Tennessee | 312,598 | 4.8 | 1.4 | 6.6 | 15.7 | 15.9 | 55.6 |
| Texas | 726,384 | 5.1 | 1.6 | 6.2 | 15.1 | 15.6 | 56.4 |
| Utah | 39,414 | 4.5 | 2.0 | 8.4 | 17.6 | 16.2 | 51.3 |
| Vermont | 13,649 | 5.3 | 1.7 | 7.4 | 17.2 | 16.2 | 52.2 |
| Virginia | 167,393 | 7.3 | 1.6 | 6.7 | 15.2 | 15.5 | 53.8 |
| Virgin Islands | 4,387 | 3.7 | 2.0 | 6.5 | 15.5 | 15.9 | 56.5 |
| Washington | 196,527 | 4.5 | 1.9 | 8.0 | 16.8 | 15.5 | 53.3 |
| West Virginia | 59,230 | 4.0 | 1.7 | 6.9 | 16.2 | 16.2 | 55.1 |
| Wisconsin | 110,849 | 5.4 | 1.8 | 6.7 | 13.5 | 13.4 | 59.2 |
| Wyoming | 9,955 | 8.0 | 2.0 | 8.1 | 17.7 | 16.4 | 47.7 |

¹ The monthly benefit is the amount issued in the current month. The percent redeemed does not reflect spending of benefits carried over from prior months.

Note: For each household, the regular monthly issuance date was imputed from EBT redemption patterns observed over the period from July 2002-December 2003. EBT was operational for fewer than 6 months in Delaware and Iowa, which may have resulted in less precise estimates.

Source: USDA, Food and Nutrition Service. ALERT Data, FY2003. Average monthly statistics are based on a random sample of approximately 10,000 households per State and month, limited to case-months with a single issuance within the regular issuance cycle.

Table B-18a—Average Percent of Monthly Benefit Redeemed by Days Since Issuance, for Households Grouped by Monthly Issuance Amount: By Region, FY2003

| | Cumulative percent of monthly benefit redeemed by ¹ | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|--|-------|--------|--------|--------------|
| | Day 1 | Day 7 | Day 14 | Day 21 | End of month |
| U.S. Total | | | | | |
| All households | 20.4% | 59.5% | 79.8% | 90.8% | 97.3% |
| <i>By monthly issuance amount</i> | | | | | |
| < \$25 | 15.4 | 58.3 | 79.5 | 90.1 | 95.2 |
| \$ 26-50 | 18.4 | 62.3 | 81.5 | 90.6 | 95.6 |
| \$ 51-100 | 19.7 | 62.8 | 81.7 | 91.1 | 96.5 |
| \$101-200 | 20.3 | 62.2 | 81.6 | 91.5 | 97.1 |
| \$201-300 | 21.1 | 60.7 | 81.0 | 91.7 | 97.6 |
| > \$300 | 20.4 | 57.8 | 78.6 | 90.5 | 97.5 |
| Northeast | | | | | |
| All households | 16.1 | 58.5 | 79.4 | 90.7 | 97.0 |
| <i>By monthly issuance amount</i> | | | | | |
| < \$25 | 13.9 | 59.2 | 80.4 | 91.1 | 95.7 |
| \$ 26-50 | 15.4 | 59.1 | 80.2 | 91.1 | 95.7 |
| \$ 51-100 | 17.6 | 62.0 | 82.0 | 91.6 | 96.5 |
| \$101-200 | 15.2 | 59.1 | 79.9 | 90.7 | 96.8 |
| \$201-300 | 16.5 | 59.7 | 80.6 | 91.6 | 97.5 |
| > \$300 | 16.5 | 57.6 | 78.8 | 90.5 | 97.2 |
| Mid Atlantic | | | | | |
| All households | 15.6 | 60.5 | 81.1 | 91.6 | 97.5 |
| <i>By monthly issuance amount</i> | | | | | |
| < \$25 | 12.7 | 56.3 | 78.7 | 89.9 | 95.3 |
| \$ 26-50 | 13.5 | 61.4 | 81.8 | 91.1 | 95.9 |
| \$ 51-100 | 14.4 | 61.8 | 82.0 | 91.5 | 96.6 |
| \$101-200 | 16.1 | 62.9 | 82.6 | 92.0 | 97.2 |
| \$201-300 | 16.4 | 61.7 | 82.2 | 92.4 | 97.8 |
| > \$300 | 15.4 | 58.9 | 80.0 | 91.5 | 97.8 |
| Midwest | | | | | |
| All households | 23.6 | 62.3 | 82.0 | 92.2 | 97.6 |
| <i>By monthly issuance amount</i> | | | | | |
| < \$25 | 17.2 | 60.1 | 81.2 | 91.1 | 95.2 |
| \$ 26-50 | 21.0 | 65.4 | 83.8 | 92.0 | 95.8 |
| \$ 51-100 | 23.0 | 66.0 | 84.2 | 92.6 | 96.8 |
| \$101-200 | 24.3 | 65.1 | 83.8 | 92.7 | 97.4 |
| \$201-300 | 24.8 | 63.6 | 83.2 | 93.0 | 98.0 |
| > \$300 | 23.7 | 61.0 | 81.2 | 92.0 | 97.9 |
| Southeast | | | | | |
| All households | 20.3 | 58.7 | 79.1 | 90.3 | 97.0 |
| <i>By monthly issuance amount</i> | | | | | |
| < \$25 | 15.4 | 58.4 | 79.6 | 90.4 | 95.4 |
| \$ 26-50 | 17.8 | 61.5 | 81.0 | 90.6 | 95.6 |
| \$ 51-100 | 19.0 | 62.2 | 81.6 | 91.2 | 96.5 |
| \$101-200 | 21.1 | 62.6 | 81.9 | 91.6 | 97.1 |
| \$201-300 | 21.0 | 59.7 | 80.2 | 91.2 | 97.4 |
| > \$300 | 20.0 | 56.6 | 77.5 | 89.8 | 97.2 |

¹ The monthly benefit is the amount issued in the current month. The percent redeemed does not reflect spending of benefits carried over from prior months.

Note: For each household, the regular monthly issuance date was imputed from EBT redemption patterns observed over the period from July 2002-December 2003. EBT was operational for fewer than 6 months in Delaware (Mid-Atlantic) and Iowa (Mountain Plains), which may have resulted in less precise estimates for these States.

Source: USDA, Food and Nutrition Service. ALERT Data, FY2003. Average monthly statistics are based on a random sample of approximately 10,000 households per State and month, limited to case-months with a single issuance within the regular issuance cycle.

Table B-18a—Average Percent of Monthly Benefit Redeemed by Days Since Issuance, for Households Grouped by Monthly Issuance Amount: By Region, FY2003
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| | Cumulative percent of monthly benefit redeemed by ¹ | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|--|-------|--------|--------|--------------|
| | Day 1 | Day 7 | Day 14 | Day 21 | End of month |
| Southwest | | | | | |
| All households | 22.9% | 59.6% | 78.5% | 89.7% | 97.2% |
| <i>By monthly issuance amount</i> | | | | | |
| < \$25 | 15.1 | 58.0 | 77.7 | 87.8 | 94.8 |
| \$ 26-50 | 18.7 | 61.1 | 79.6 | 88.6 | 95.4 |
| \$ 51-100 | 21.4 | 61.5 | 77.9 | 87.6 | 96.1 |
| \$101-200 | 23.8 | 63.1 | 80.5 | 90.3 | 97.1 |
| \$201-300 | 23.9 | 61.1 | 80.0 | 90.8 | 97.6 |
| > \$300 | 22.8 | 58.1 | 77.6 | 89.5 | 97.3 |
| Mountain Plains | | | | | |
| All households | 20.4 | 57.3 | 78.5 | 90.3 | 97.0 |
| <i>By monthly issuance amount</i> | | | | | |
| < \$25 | 17.4 | 59.1 | 79.5 | 89.8 | 94.9 |
| \$ 26-50 | 20.6 | 63.1 | 82.0 | 90.9 | 95.6 |
| \$ 51-100 | 21.5 | 63.2 | 82.0 | 91.2 | 96.4 |
| \$101-200 | 22.1 | 61.7 | 81.3 | 91.3 | 96.9 |
| \$201-300 | 21.1 | 58.2 | 79.6 | 91.0 | 97.3 |
| > \$300 | 19.4 | 54.5 | 76.7 | 89.7 | 97.2 |
| West | | | | | |
| All households | 17.8 | 56.0 | 77.9 | 90.0 | 97.1 |
| <i>By monthly issuance amount</i> | | | | | |
| < \$25 | 15.1 | 53.9 | 75.0 | 87.8 | 94.7 |
| \$ 26-50 | 16.0 | 57.8 | 77.8 | 88.3 | 95.0 |
| \$ 51-100 | 17.6 | 59.5 | 79.8 | 90.2 | 96.3 |
| \$101-200 | 18.4 | 59.4 | 80.3 | 90.9 | 96.9 |
| \$201-300 | 18.4 | 57.2 | 79.4 | 91.1 | 97.5 |
| > \$300 | 17.4 | 53.5 | 76.1 | 89.3 | 97.3 |

¹ The monthly benefit is the amount issued in the current month. The percent redeemed does not reflect spending of benefits carried over from prior months.

Note: For each household, the regular monthly issuance date was imputed from EBT redemption patterns observed over the period from July 2002-December 2003. EBT was operational for fewer than 6 months in Delaware (Mid-Atlantic) and Iowa (Mountain Plains), which may have resulted in less precise estimates for these States.

Source: USDA, Food and Nutrition Service. ALERT Data, FY2003. Average monthly statistics are based on a random sample of approximately 10,000 households per State and month, limited to case-months with a single issuance within the regular issuance cycle.

Table B-19—Average Dollar Amount of Monthly Issuance Carried Over to the Next Month, for Households Grouped by Monthly Issuance Amount, FY2003

| | Avg monthly number of households | Average dollar amount of unspent issuance ¹ | | | | | | |
|----------------------------|----------------------------------|--|---|---------|----------|-----------|-----------|---------|
| | | All households | Households grouped by monthly issuance amount | | | | | |
| | | | < \$25 | \$26-50 | \$51-100 | \$101-200 | \$201-300 | > \$300 |
| Total U.S. | 8,466,608 | \$5.38 | \$0.65 | \$1.66 | \$2.61 | \$4.01 | \$5.91 | \$11.48 |
| Alabama | 182,866 | 3.51 | 0.58 | 1.33 | 1.81 | 2.70 | 3.46 | 6.37 |
| Alaska | 17,297 | 11.01 | 0.86 | 2.54 | 3.28 | 6.52 | 8.33 | 19.56 |
| Arizona | 183,585 | 5.85 | 0.69 | 1.75 | 2.58 | 4.02 | 5.66 | 10.52 |
| Arkansas | 123,640 | 4.83 | 0.77 | 1.74 | 2.33 | 3.44 | 5.40 | 9.23 |
| California | 220,739 | 5.74 | 0.58 | 1.39 | 2.33 | 4.00 | 5.70 | 11.39 |
| Colorado | 83,532 | 6.97 | 0.76 | 2.02 | 3.08 | 4.68 | 6.97 | 14.85 |
| Connecticut | 88,150 | 3.43 | 0.58 | 1.40 | 2.52 | 3.34 | 4.85 | 7.76 |
| Delaware | 11,443 | 5.72 | 0.54 | 1.11 | 2.46 | 4.26 | 6.08 | 11.31 |
| District of Columbia | 38,308 | 4.39 | 0.61 | 1.51 | 2.34 | 3.67 | 5.00 | 8.53 |
| Florida | 482,533 | 5.03 | 0.66 | 1.48 | 2.51 | 4.14 | 6.00 | 12.75 |
| Georgia | 308,361 | 4.00 | 0.57 | 1.40 | 1.97 | 3.02 | 4.18 | 7.40 |
| Hawaii | 49,510 | 9.41 | 0.84 | 2.12 | 3.99 | 5.65 | 8.20 | 17.07 |
| Idaho | 32,452 | 6.34 | 0.79 | 1.98 | 2.92 | 4.44 | 6.52 | 13.88 |
| Illinois | 428,984 | 6.06 | 0.60 | 1.54 | 2.49 | 3.83 | 7.02 | 13.29 |
| Indiana | 198,184 | 5.97 | 0.70 | 1.97 | 2.89 | 4.52 | 6.27 | 11.70 |
| Iowa | 31,799 | 5.78 | 0.26 | 0.57 | 1.90 | 5.61 | 9.64 | 14.39 |
| Kansas | 67,170 | 4.67 | 0.81 | 1.94 | 2.71 | 4.21 | 6.10 | 9.57 |
| Kentucky | 209,885 | 4.82 | 0.76 | 1.73 | 2.50 | 3.66 | 5.36 | 10.13 |
| Louisiana | 254,497 | 7.11 | 0.71 | 2.54 | 4.48 | 5.10 | 7.12 | 11.31 |
| Maine | 54,528 | 5.59 | 0.75 | 1.68 | 3.23 | 5.19 | 7.13 | 12.86 |
| Maryland | 111,999 | 3.83 | 0.54 | 1.35 | 2.23 | 2.99 | 4.25 | 8.36 |
| Massachusetts | 124,201 | 3.97 | 0.54 | 1.62 | 2.07 | 3.47 | 4.90 | 8.71 |
| Michigan | 351,646 | 4.53 | 0.63 | 1.61 | 2.70 | 4.01 | 5.48 | 9.05 |
| Minnesota | 96,824 | 5.82 | 0.66 | 1.85 | 3.03 | 4.55 | 6.80 | 10.57 |
| Mississippi | 142,947 | 4.46 | 0.60 | 1.63 | 2.34 | 3.28 | 4.64 | 8.16 |
| Missouri | 243,648 | 5.26 | 0.67 | 1.54 | 2.25 | 3.71 | 6.21 | 11.50 |
| Montana | 28,876 | 6.42 | 0.82 | 2.23 | 3.75 | 5.27 | 7.54 | 11.95 |
| Nebraska | 41,611 | 5.93 | 0.70 | 1.86 | 2.91 | 4.87 | 7.08 | 13.92 |
| Nevada | 47,374 | 11.28 | 0.85 | 2.63 | 4.18 | 7.53 | 11.88 | 26.71 |
| New Hampshire | 20,798 | 4.71 | 0.63 | 1.75 | 2.88 | 4.70 | 6.44 | 10.06 |
| New Jersey | 155,115 | 4.12 | 0.52 | 1.30 | 2.16 | 3.39 | 4.77 | 9.68 |
| New Mexico | 74,256 | 5.76 | 0.85 | 1.83 | 2.60 | 3.94 | 5.94 | 11.26 |
| New York | 735,648 | 6.03 | 0.59 | 1.50 | 2.73 | 4.65 | 6.49 | 14.62 |
| North Carolina | 267,400 | 4.47 | 0.76 | 1.83 | 2.46 | 3.55 | 5.27 | 8.39 |
| North Dakota | 16,813 | 7.31 | 0.72 | 2.34 | 4.41 | 6.60 | 9.93 | 13.59 |
| Ohio | 367,801 | 6.26 | 0.58 | 1.53 | 2.54 | 3.98 | 6.37 | 16.14 |
| Oklahoma | 149,280 | 5.18 | 0.81 | 2.03 | 2.72 | 3.96 | 5.87 | 9.81 |
| Oregon | 179,255 | 4.34 | 0.73 | 2.01 | 2.61 | 3.92 | 5.49 | 8.49 |
| Pennsylvania | 365,835 | 4.83 | 0.62 | 1.47 | 2.66 | 4.11 | 5.68 | 10.16 |
| Rhode Island | 33,836 | 4.60 | 0.60 | 1.77 | 2.52 | 3.99 | 5.96 | 10.62 |
| South Carolina | 183,577 | 4.07 | 0.66 | 1.57 | 2.26 | 3.17 | 4.32 | 7.63 |
| South Dakota | 20,021 | 6.36 | 0.65 | 1.23 | 3.68 | 5.66 | 7.70 | 10.23 |
| Tennessee | 312,598 | 5.11 | 0.68 | 1.66 | 2.48 | 3.83 | 5.76 | 11.08 |
| Texas | 726,384 | 6.35 | 0.64 | 1.69 | 2.56 | 3.77 | 5.93 | 13.62 |
| Utah | 39,414 | 6.60 | 0.74 | 1.66 | 2.65 | 4.47 | 6.48 | 13.52 |
| Vermont | 13,649 | 6.02 | 0.82 | 2.01 | 2.70 | 4.74 | 6.60 | 12.44 |
| Virginia | 167,393 | 4.96 | 0.75 | 1.84 | 2.85 | 4.30 | 6.10 | 10.71 |
| Virgin Islands | 4,387 | 8.50 | 1.01 | 1.39 | 3.28 | 6.02 | 6.20 | 11.12 |
| Washington | 196,527 | 5.06 | 0.69 | 1.69 | 2.86 | 4.46 | 5.91 | 11.20 |
| West Virginia | 59,230 | 4.28 | 0.65 | 1.60 | 2.34 | 3.69 | 5.41 | 8.59 |
| Wisconsin | 110,849 | 5.93 | 0.58 | 1.69 | 2.44 | 4.36 | 7.37 | 15.01 |
| Wyoming | 9,955 | 6.97 | 0.62 | 1.80 | 3.19 | 5.14 | 8.04 | 14.23 |

¹ Unspent issuance is the amount of issuance unredeemed each issuance month, taken as the maximum of zero and (issuance - redemption). This measure ignores unspent issuance from prior months. Issuance months are defined for each household to begin on their issuance day.

Note: For each household, the regular monthly issuance date was imputed from EBT redemption patterns observed over the period from July 2002-December 2003. EBT was operational for fewer than 6 months in Delaware and Iowa, which may have resulted in less precise estimates.

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Table B-20—Distribution of Households by Amount of Monthly Issuance Carried Over to the Next Month, FY2003

| | Avg monthly number of households | Amount of unspent issuance ¹ | | | | |
|----------------------------|----------------------------------|---|--------|---------|---------|--------|
| | | < \$1 | \$1-10 | \$11-25 | \$26-50 | > \$50 |
| | | Percent of households | | | | |
| Total U.S. | 8,466,608 | 68.4% | 22.5% | 4.0% | 2.4% | 2.8% |
| Alabama | 182,866 | 69.5 | 24.2 | 3.1 | 1.6 | 1.6 |
| Alaska | 17,297 | 64.8 | 22.3 | 4.6 | 2.9 | 5.3 |
| Arizona | 183,585 | 66.6 | 23.8 | 4.1 | 2.4 | 3.1 |
| Arkansas | 123,640 | 66.3 | 25.0 | 4.0 | 2.2 | 2.5 |
| California | 220,739 | 68.6 | 21.8 | 4.0 | 2.6 | 3.1 |
| Colorado | 83,532 | 66.2 | 23.1 | 4.3 | 2.8 | 3.6 |
| Connecticut | 88,150 | 73.1 | 20.4 | 3.2 | 1.7 | 1.6 |
| Delaware | 11,443 | 68.8 | 20.8 | 4.4 | 2.8 | 3.2 |
| District of Columbia | 38,308 | 68.8 | 23.5 | 3.5 | 2.0 | 2.2 |
| Florida | 482,533 | 68.7 | 22.6 | 3.9 | 2.3 | 2.6 |
| Georgia | 308,361 | 69.0 | 24.1 | 3.2 | 1.7 | 2.0 |
| Hawaii | 49,510 | 64.3 | 21.1 | 5.6 | 3.8 | 5.2 |
| Idaho | 32,452 | 65.9 | 23.9 | 4.4 | 2.6 | 3.3 |
| Illinois | 428,984 | 68.9 | 21.4 | 4.0 | 2.6 | 3.1 |
| Indiana | 198,184 | 66.3 | 23.4 | 4.5 | 2.6 | 3.2 |
| Iowa | 31,799 | 75.8 | 14.7 | 2.9 | 3.1 | 3.6 |
| Kansas | 67,170 | 66.3 | 25.0 | 4.2 | 2.2 | 2.3 |
| Kentucky | 209,885 | 67.5 | 23.9 | 4.1 | 2.2 | 2.4 |
| Louisiana | 254,497 | 66.0 | 22.0 | 4.7 | 3.2 | 4.1 |
| Maine | 54,528 | 66.9 | 22.1 | 5.0 | 3.1 | 2.9 |
| Maryland | 111,999 | 71.8 | 21.6 | 3.0 | 1.7 | 1.8 |
| Massachusetts | 124,201 | 71.1 | 21.3 | 3.7 | 2.0 | 1.9 |
| Michigan | 351,646 | 70.1 | 21.8 | 3.6 | 2.2 | 2.3 |
| Minnesota | 96,824 | 67.0 | 22.9 | 4.2 | 2.6 | 3.1 |
| Mississippi | 142,947 | 67.9 | 23.9 | 3.8 | 2.2 | 2.2 |
| Missouri | 243,648 | 66.8 | 23.9 | 4.1 | 2.4 | 2.8 |
| Montana | 28,876 | 66.1 | 22.7 | 4.7 | 3.1 | 3.4 |
| Nebraska | 41,611 | 68.0 | 22.2 | 4.1 | 2.6 | 3.1 |
| Nevada | 47,374 | 65.1 | 19.0 | 5.6 | 4.1 | 6.3 |
| New Hampshire | 20,798 | 68.6 | 22.1 | 4.5 | 2.4 | 2.4 |
| New Jersey | 155,115 | 72.6 | 20.1 | 3.4 | 2.0 | 1.9 |
| New Mexico | 74,256 | 65.5 | 24.6 | 4.2 | 2.7 | 3.0 |
| New York | 735,648 | 69.9 | 19.8 | 4.4 | 2.8 | 3.2 |
| North Carolina | 267,400 | 68.0 | 24.0 | 3.8 | 2.0 | 2.2 |
| North Dakota | 16,813 | 63.4 | 23.2 | 5.6 | 3.6 | 4.2 |
| Ohio | 367,801 | 71.1 | 19.4 | 3.9 | 2.4 | 3.1 |
| Oklahoma | 149,280 | 67.6 | 23.4 | 4.0 | 2.3 | 2.6 |
| Oregon | 179,255 | 68.4 | 23.0 | 4.0 | 2.3 | 2.2 |
| Pennsylvania | 365,835 | 68.4 | 22.5 | 4.1 | 2.5 | 2.5 |
| Rhode Island | 33,836 | 71.0 | 20.6 | 3.8 | 2.2 | 2.4 |
| South Carolina | 183,577 | 67.3 | 25.3 | 3.6 | 1.9 | 1.9 |
| South Dakota | 20,021 | 64.7 | 24.1 | 4.6 | 3.0 | 3.6 |
| Tennessee | 312,598 | 67.4 | 23.8 | 4.0 | 2.2 | 2.6 |
| Texas | 726,384 | 67.7 | 23.1 | 3.7 | 2.3 | 3.2 |
| Utah | 39,414 | 65.8 | 23.3 | 4.3 | 2.8 | 3.7 |
| Vermont | 13,649 | 65.9 | 23.4 | 4.8 | 2.8 | 3.2 |
| Virginia | 167,393 | 67.3 | 24.0 | 4.0 | 2.2 | 2.4 |
| Virgin Islands | 4,387 | 66.1 | 22.0 | 4.4 | 3.1 | 4.4 |
| Washington | 196,527 | 66.5 | 24.0 | 4.4 | 2.6 | 2.5 |
| West Virginia | 59,230 | 67.8 | 23.9 | 4.0 | 2.1 | 2.1 |
| Wisconsin | 110,849 | 69.1 | 21.4 | 3.8 | 2.4 | 3.2 |
| Wyoming | 9,955 | 67.1 | 21.2 | 4.9 | 3.1 | 3.8 |

¹ Unspent issuance is the amount of issuance unredeemed each issuance month, taken as the maximum of zero and (issuance - redemption). This measure ignores unspent issuance from prior months. Issuance months are defined for each household to begin on their issuance day.

Note: For each household, the regular monthly issuance date was imputed from EBT redemption patterns observed over the period from July 2002-December 2003. EBT was operational for fewer than 6 months in Delaware and Iowa, which may have resulted in less precise estimates.

Source: USDA, Food and Nutrition Service. ALERT Data, FY2003. Average monthly statistics are based on a random sample of approximately 10,000 households per State and month, limited to case-months with a single issuance within the regular issuance cycle.

Table B-21—Average EBT Balance at the End of the Issuance Month, for Households Grouped by Monthly Issuance Amount, FY2003

| | Avg monthly number of households | Average monthly ending balance ¹ | | | | | | |
|----------------------------|----------------------------------|---|---|---------|----------|-----------|-----------|---------|
| | | All households | Households grouped by monthly issuance amount | | | | | |
| | | | < \$25 | \$26-50 | \$51-100 | \$101-200 | \$201-300 | > \$300 |
| Total U.S. | 8,466,608 | \$12.82 | \$2.28 | \$4.58 | \$7.66 | \$10.97 | \$13.80 | \$23.67 |
| Alabama | 182,866 | 7.25 | 1.96 | 3.36 | 4.41 | 6.69 | 7.03 | 11.52 |
| Alaska | 17,297 | 20.89 | 2.91 | 4.74 | 8.34 | 14.93 | 17.96 | 33.83 |
| Arizona | 183,585 | 12.17 | 2.31 | 3.86 | 5.81 | 8.78 | 11.99 | 20.96 |
| Arkansas | 123,640 | 9.53 | 2.08 | 4.05 | 5.74 | 7.27 | 10.33 | 17.16 |
| California | 220,739 | 13.39 | 3.37 | 5.24 | 5.99 | 9.28 | 13.66 | 25.60 |
| Colorado | 83,532 | 15.55 | 3.09 | 6.65 | 9.22 | 12.64 | 15.98 | 28.17 |
| Connecticut | 88,150 | 8.85 | 1.80 | 4.02 | 7.94 | 9.58 | 11.00 | 16.97 |
| Delaware | 11,443 | 16.44 | 2.08 | 7.15 | 8.90 | 12.03 | 18.10 | 30.54 |
| District of Columbia | 38,308 | 10.46 | 2.66 | 5.03 | 7.90 | 9.45 | 11.39 | 17.23 |
| Florida | 482,533 | 10.71 | 2.35 | 3.74 | 5.84 | 9.93 | 13.22 | 23.32 |
| Georgia | 308,361 | 8.81 | 1.82 | 3.70 | 5.91 | 7.66 | 9.11 | 14.29 |
| Hawaii | 49,510 | 36.68 | 7.06 | 8.85 | 16.56 | 24.42 | 29.74 | 64.80 |
| Idaho | 32,452 | 16.59 | 2.90 | 6.28 | 9.90 | 12.06 | 17.78 | 33.25 |
| Illinois | 428,984 | 12.33 | 1.77 | 3.84 | 6.24 | 8.85 | 14.66 | 24.23 |
| Indiana | 198,184 | 15.29 | 3.11 | 6.58 | 10.32 | 14.03 | 14.78 | 25.50 |
| Iowa | 31,799 | 21.59 | 5.35 | 6.65 | 12.73 | 21.77 | 31.39 | 48.46 |
| Kansas | 67,170 | 10.72 | 2.41 | 4.70 | 6.82 | 10.07 | 13.77 | 20.56 |
| Kentucky | 209,885 | 10.94 | 2.56 | 4.35 | 6.39 | 9.12 | 12.23 | 21.03 |
| Louisiana | 254,497 | 20.35 | 2.12 | 6.88 | 14.11 | 15.65 | 20.07 | 31.12 |
| Maine | 54,528 | 14.68 | 2.06 | 4.70 | 8.72 | 13.91 | 17.77 | 33.69 |
| Maryland | 111,999 | 9.24 | 1.46 | 3.30 | 6.07 | 8.18 | 10.07 | 18.16 |
| Massachusetts | 124,201 | 7.64 | 1.18 | 2.77 | 4.20 | 7.08 | 8.97 | 16.22 |
| Michigan | 351,646 | 11.94 | 2.80 | 4.43 | 10.41 | 11.92 | 13.10 | 19.33 |
| Minnesota | 96,824 | 12.24 | 1.87 | 4.44 | 7.80 | 10.98 | 14.16 | 20.18 |
| Mississippi | 142,947 | 9.43 | 1.98 | 4.51 | 5.63 | 7.80 | 9.94 | 15.78 |
| Missouri | 243,648 | 11.71 | 1.64 | 3.31 | 5.20 | 8.38 | 13.96 | 25.09 |
| Montana | 28,876 | 17.54 | 3.81 | 8.49 | 14.29 | 16.20 | 19.30 | 27.50 |
| Nebraska | 41,611 | 15.01 | 2.03 | 5.01 | 8.77 | 14.03 | 17.79 | 32.06 |
| Nevada | 47,374 | 31.32 | 3.39 | 8.21 | 12.80 | 23.20 | 33.62 | 67.32 |
| New Hampshire | 20,798 | 11.94 | 2.69 | 6.05 | 8.81 | 13.60 | 13.89 | 21.82 |
| New Jersey | 155,115 | 9.59 | 1.44 | 3.01 | 6.61 | 9.03 | 10.44 | 19.10 |
| New Mexico | 74,256 | 13.26 | 2.98 | 5.54 | 7.81 | 9.93 | 13.55 | 23.62 |
| New York | 735,648 | 16.96 | 2.04 | 4.57 | 9.58 | 17.21 | 16.56 | 29.30 |
| North Carolina | 267,400 | 11.10 | 2.63 | 5.32 | 8.01 | 10.40 | 12.50 | 17.88 |
| North Dakota | 16,813 | 28.32 | 5.54 | 9.85 | 24.64 | 31.80 | 32.36 | 39.99 |
| Ohio | 367,801 | 13.64 | 1.81 | 4.40 | 7.42 | 11.03 | 14.63 | 29.10 |
| Oklahoma | 149,280 | 12.15 | 2.86 | 5.48 | 8.06 | 9.91 | 13.53 | 21.30 |
| Oregon | 179,255 | 8.65 | 1.93 | 4.19 | 5.40 | 8.00 | 10.20 | 16.71 |
| Pennsylvania | 365,835 | 12.50 | 2.30 | 4.86 | 9.30 | 12.93 | 13.30 | 21.05 |
| Rhode Island | 33,836 | 9.26 | 1.46 | 3.56 | 5.57 | 8.81 | 12.14 | 18.78 |
| South Carolina | 183,577 | 8.94 | 2.11 | 4.50 | 5.26 | 7.85 | 9.32 | 15.10 |
| South Dakota | 20,021 | 21.12 | 4.32 | 7.19 | 21.24 | 22.44 | 23.92 | 25.78 |
| Tennessee | 312,598 | 10.72 | 1.73 | 3.65 | 5.62 | 8.59 | 12.64 | 21.53 |
| Texas | 726,384 | 14.74 | 2.49 | 4.89 | 7.26 | 9.80 | 15.05 | 28.51 |
| Utah | 39,414 | 15.19 | 2.68 | 4.11 | 6.76 | 10.22 | 15.24 | 30.25 |
| Vermont | 13,649 | 12.62 | 2.34 | 4.38 | 6.08 | 10.18 | 14.27 | 24.59 |
| Virginia | 167,393 | 11.09 | 2.25 | 4.78 | 7.96 | 10.79 | 13.38 | 20.80 |
| Virgin Islands | 4,387 | 23.31 | 2.39 | 5.28 | 12.19 | 22.42 | 15.70 | 26.95 |
| Washington | 196,527 | 11.76 | 2.54 | 4.97 | 9.10 | 11.38 | 11.94 | 21.17 |
| West Virginia | 59,230 | 10.07 | 1.67 | 3.58 | 5.35 | 9.10 | 12.64 | 19.76 |
| Wisconsin | 110,849 | 13.93 | 2.72 | 5.02 | 7.64 | 11.81 | 17.08 | 30.41 |
| Wyoming | 9,955 | 15.57 | 2.25 | 4.88 | 10.20 | 12.29 | 18.77 | 27.61 |

¹ The monthly ending balance is the EBT account balance at the time of the next issuance. **This measure reflects the long-run cumulation of unspent issuance from all prior months.**

Note: For each household, the regular monthly issuance date was imputed from EBT redemption patterns observed over the period from July 2002-December 2003. EBT was operational for fewer than 6 months in Delaware and Iowa, which may have resulted in less precise estimates.

Source: USDA, Food and Nutrition Service. ALERT Data, FY2003. Average monthly statistics are based on a random sample of approximately 10,000 households per State and month, limited to case-months with a single issuance within the regular issuance cycle.

Table B-22—Distribution of Households by EBT Balance at the End of the Issuance Month, FY2003

| | Avg monthly number of households | Monthly ending balance ¹ | | | | |
|----------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------|---------|---------|--------|
| | | < \$1 | \$1-10 | \$11-25 | \$26-50 | > \$50 |
| | | Percent of households | | | | |
| Total U.S. | 8,466,608 | 48.7% | 36.3% | 5.6% | 3.5% | 5.9% |
| Alabama | 182,866 | 51.2 | 38.6 | 4.5 | 2.4 | 3.3 |
| Alaska | 17,297 | 42.6 | 37.7 | 6.9 | 4.0 | 8.8 |
| Arizona | 183,585 | 46.0 | 39.0 | 5.7 | 3.4 | 5.8 |
| Arkansas | 123,640 | 46.1 | 40.4 | 5.7 | 3.2 | 4.6 |
| California | 220,739 | 48.2 | 36.1 | 5.7 | 3.6 | 6.4 |
| Colorado | 83,532 | 45.6 | 37.3 | 6.2 | 3.9 | 7.0 |
| Connecticut | 88,150 | 57.3 | 32.2 | 4.5 | 2.4 | 3.6 |
| Delaware | 11,443 | 44.2 | 36.1 | 6.7 | 4.2 | 8.8 |
| District of Columbia | 38,308 | 50.5 | 37.6 | 4.6 | 2.9 | 4.4 |
| Florida | 482,533 | 50.6 | 35.6 | 5.5 | 3.2 | 5.0 |
| Georgia | 308,361 | 49.1 | 39.9 | 4.6 | 2.5 | 3.9 |
| Hawaii | 49,510 | 40.6 | 33.8 | 7.4 | 5.1 | 13.1 |
| Idaho | 32,452 | 42.2 | 40.0 | 6.6 | 3.9 | 7.2 |
| Illinois | 428,984 | 51.9 | 33.6 | 5.2 | 3.4 | 5.8 |
| Indiana | 198,184 | 44.6 | 38.0 | 6.5 | 4.0 | 6.9 |
| Iowa | 31,799 | 34.4 | 42.1 | 6.8 | 5.1 | 11.6 |
| Kansas | 67,170 | 43.0 | 42.1 | 6.4 | 3.5 | 5.0 |
| Kentucky | 209,885 | 47.7 | 38.0 | 5.9 | 3.4 | 5.0 |
| Louisiana | 254,497 | 43.3 | 34.5 | 6.0 | 5.0 | 11.3 |
| Maine | 54,528 | 46.5 | 34.4 | 7.2 | 4.6 | 7.3 |
| Maryland | 111,999 | 54.0 | 35.1 | 4.4 | 2.5 | 4.1 |
| Massachusetts | 124,201 | 55.3 | 33.1 | 5.1 | 2.8 | 3.7 |
| Michigan | 351,646 | 50.9 | 35.5 | 5.2 | 3.2 | 5.2 |
| Minnesota | 96,824 | 47.1 | 37.0 | 6.1 | 3.6 | 6.1 |
| Mississippi | 142,947 | 47.9 | 40.4 | 4.8 | 2.8 | 4.1 |
| Missouri | 243,648 | 45.3 | 39.6 | 5.9 | 3.5 | 5.8 |
| Montana | 28,876 | 44.4 | 36.7 | 6.6 | 4.4 | 7.9 |
| Nebraska | 41,611 | 47.2 | 36.4 | 6.0 | 3.8 | 6.7 |
| Nevada | 47,374 | 39.1 | 31.4 | 7.5 | 6.1 | 15.9 |
| New Hampshire | 20,798 | 49.2 | 35.3 | 6.6 | 3.6 | 5.3 |
| New Jersey | 155,115 | 55.9 | 32.2 | 4.9 | 2.8 | 4.1 |
| New Mexico | 74,256 | 42.8 | 40.8 | 6.2 | 3.8 | 6.3 |
| New York | 735,648 | 50.0 | 32.2 | 6.1 | 4.2 | 7.5 |
| North Carolina | 267,400 | 45.8 | 40.3 | 5.8 | 3.2 | 4.9 |
| North Dakota | 16,813 | 38.1 | 37.8 | 7.8 | 5.2 | 11.0 |
| Ohio | 367,801 | 57.8 | 27.3 | 5.4 | 3.4 | 6.1 |
| Oklahoma | 149,280 | 45.7 | 39.4 | 6.0 | 3.5 | 5.4 |
| Oregon | 179,255 | 50.6 | 36.3 | 5.6 | 3.3 | 4.2 |
| Pennsylvania | 365,835 | 48.0 | 37.0 | 5.8 | 3.6 | 5.5 |
| Rhode Island | 33,836 | 54.8 | 32.4 | 5.1 | 3.2 | 4.6 |
| South Carolina | 183,577 | 47.1 | 41.0 | 5.2 | 2.8 | 3.8 |
| South Dakota | 20,021 | 40.3 | 40.5 | 6.4 | 4.2 | 8.6 |
| Tennessee | 312,598 | 46.8 | 38.9 | 5.9 | 3.4 | 5.0 |
| Texas | 726,384 | 47.6 | 37.1 | 5.4 | 3.2 | 6.6 |
| Utah | 39,414 | 43.6 | 39.1 | 6.2 | 3.9 | 7.2 |
| Vermont | 13,649 | 44.0 | 38.8 | 7.1 | 4.1 | 6.1 |
| Virginia | 167,393 | 47.2 | 38.1 | 6.1 | 3.5 | 5.1 |
| Virgin Islands | 4,387 | 41.4 | 37.2 | 6.6 | 4.8 | 10.0 |
| Washington | 196,527 | 46.3 | 38.5 | 6.2 | 3.7 | 5.4 |
| West Virginia | 59,230 | 45.3 | 40.2 | 6.2 | 3.5 | 4.9 |
| Wisconsin | 110,849 | 50.3 | 34.6 | 5.3 | 3.4 | 6.4 |
| Wyoming | 9,955 | 49.4 | 31.8 | 6.9 | 4.5 | 7.4 |

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Note: For each household, the regular monthly issuance date was imputed from EBT redemption patterns observed over the period from July 2002-December 2003. EBT was operational for fewer than 6 months in Delaware and Iowa, which may have resulted in less precise estimates.

Source: USDA, Food and Nutrition Service. ALERT Data, FY2003. Average monthly statistics are based on a random sample of approximately 10,000 households per State and month, limited to case-months with a single issuance within the regular issuance cycle.

Table B-22a—Distribution of EBT Benefit Redemption By Calendar Week, FY2003

| | Calendar days in issuance schedule ¹ | EBT benefit redemption by week of calendar month | | | | | | | |
|----------------------------|---|--|--------|--------|--------|----------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|
| | | Distribution of number of transactions | | | | Distribution of dollars redeemed | | | |
| | | Week 1 | Week 2 | Week 3 | Week 4 | Week 1 | Week 2 | Week 3 | Week 4 |
| Total U.S. | | 24.8% | 31.0% | 24.3% | 19.7% | 32.3% | 33.0% | 20.2% | 14.4% |
| Alabama | 4-18 | 14.4 | 28.6 | 32.8 | 24.1 | 15.5 | 34.7 | 33.3 | 16.4 |
| Alaska | 1st | 40.1 | 27.5 | 18.3 | 14.1 | 52.8 | 22.8 | 14.0 | 10.4 |
| Arizona | 1-13 | 23.9 | 33.1 | 24.0 | 19.0 | 31.4 | 35.9 | 18.8 | 13.9 |
| Arkansas | 5,10,15 | 18.5 | 27.7 | 31.4 | 22.4 | 23.0 | 30.3 | 31.3 | 15.5 |
| California | 1-10 | 25.0 | 33.8 | 23.0 | 18.2 | 32.9 | 35.1 | 18.2 | 13.8 |
| Colorado | 1-10 | 23.8 | 33.0 | 23.4 | 19.8 | 31.9 | 35.0 | 18.3 | 14.8 |
| Connecticut | 1-3 | 43.5 | 27.2 | 16.9 | 12.4 | 57.7 | 22.0 | 11.8 | 8.4 |
| Delaware | 5-11 | 13.1 | 37.9 | 26.6 | 22.4 | 17.4 | 45.4 | 20.7 | 16.5 |
| District of Columbia | 1-10 | 27.0 | 35.1 | 20.8 | 17.1 | 36.4 | 36.6 | 15.0 | 12.1 |
| Florida | 1-15 | 21.6 | 30.3 | 26.6 | 21.4 | 26.1 | 34.2 | 23.6 | 16.1 |
| Georgia | 5-14 | 13.7 | 36.1 | 28.6 | 21.6 | 15.7 | 46.1 | 23.5 | 14.7 |
| Hawaii | 3,5 | 28.4 | 31.3 | 22.3 | 18.0 | 39.2 | 29.8 | 17.7 | 13.3 |
| Idaho | 1-5 | 33.4 | 28.9 | 20.7 | 17.0 | 47.4 | 24.6 | 15.6 | 12.3 |
| Illinois | See note | 34.0 | 24.6 | 21.0 | 20.4 | 44.5 | 20.9 | 18.0 | 16.5 |
| Indiana | 1-10 | 27.1 | 33.0 | 22.2 | 17.7 | 37.0 | 34.1 | 16.6 | 12.4 |
| Iowa | 1-10 | 21.7 | 32.3 | 24.4 | 21.5 | 31.3 | 34.1 | 19.0 | 15.7 |
| Kansas | 1-10 | 26.6 | 33.5 | 22.4 | 17.5 | 36.8 | 34.5 | 16.6 | 12.1 |
| Kentucky | 1-10 | 26.0 | 34.2 | 22.5 | 17.3 | 36.1 | 35.6 | 16.4 | 11.9 |
| Louisiana | 5-14 | 22.4 | 34.0 | 25.1 | 18.5 | 27.7 | 40.6 | 19.7 | 12.0 |
| Maine | 10-14 | 9.7 | 25.2 | 35.0 | 30.1 | 7.8 | 36.1 | 33.1 | 23.0 |
| Maryland | 6-15 | 14.3 | 42.8 | 24.4 | 18.6 | 18.4 | 49.6 | 18.4 | 13.6 |
| Massachusetts | See note | 21.5 | 32.1 | 26.2 | 20.2 | 27.0 | 37.1 | 21.7 | 14.2 |
| Michigan | 1-9 | 28.6 | 33.0 | 21.5 | 16.9 | 38.8 | 32.9 | 16.2 | 12.1 |
| Minnesota | 4-13 | 16.4 | 34.5 | 27.2 | 22.0 | 20.1 | 42.1 | 22.0 | 15.9 |
| Mississippi | 5-19 | 13.9 | 28.8 | 33.2 | 24.0 | 13.6 | 35.0 | 34.6 | 16.8 |
| Missouri | 1-22 | 19.2 | 24.7 | 27.4 | 28.6 | 21.1 | 26.7 | 28.3 | 23.9 |
| Montana | 2-6 | 30.8 | 31.2 | 21.3 | 16.6 | 44.4 | 27.7 | 15.8 | 12.1 |
| Nebraska | 1-5 | 32.9 | 29.0 | 20.9 | 17.2 | 45.5 | 25.6 | 16.2 | 12.7 |
| Nevada | 1st | 30.2 | 25.0 | 21.5 | 23.2 | 36.4 | 23.4 | 19.3 | 20.8 |
| New Hampshire | 5th | 27.4 | 32.2 | 22.5 | 18.0 | 42.3 | 28.2 | 17.0 | 12.6 |
| New Jersey | 1-5 ² | 39.1 | 28.1 | 18.4 | 14.4 | 51.2 | 24.1 | 13.9 | 10.9 |
| New Mexico | 1-20 | 19.1 | 26.2 | 29.2 | 25.5 | 22.0 | 29.2 | 30.0 | 18.8 |
| New York | 1-10 ^{2,3} | 23.0 | 30.9 | 24.8 | 21.2 | 29.8 | 34.3 | 20.5 | 15.3 |
| North Carolina | 3-7 | 27.9 | 32.5 | 22.0 | 17.6 | 41.3 | 30.0 | 16.6 | 12.1 |
| North Dakota | 1st | 40.8 | 26.0 | 18.2 | 15.0 | 54.1 | 21.4 | 13.7 | 10.8 |
| Ohio | 1-10 ² | 30.0 | 30.8 | 21.5 | 17.7 | 40.9 | 29.6 | 16.2 | 13.4 |
| Oklahoma | 1,2 | 38.5 | 27.6 | 19.3 | 14.6 | 55.0 | 21.8 | 13.5 | 9.7 |
| Oregon | 1-9 | 27.8 | 33.3 | 22.3 | 16.6 | 38.3 | 33.4 | 16.7 | 11.6 |
| Pennsylvania | 1-10 ³ | 20.2 | 33.2 | 26.6 | 20.0 | 25.0 | 38.6 | 22.3 | 14.1 |
| Rhode Island | 1st | 42.3 | 23.7 | 16.4 | 15.5 | 55.6 | 18.3 | 11.5 | 12.7 |
| South Carolina | 1-10 | 26.6 | 35.4 | 21.7 | 16.3 | 36.8 | 37.4 | 15.4 | 10.4 |
| South Dakota | 10th | 8.6 | 38.2 | 30.7 | 22.5 | 6.3 | 51.2 | 26.2 | 16.2 |
| Tennessee | 1-10 | 25.5 | 34.0 | 22.4 | 18.1 | 34.4 | 35.8 | 16.7 | 13.1 |
| Texas | See note | 22.3 | 29.3 | 26.7 | 21.7 | 28.5 | 32.5 | 23.3 | 15.7 |
| Utah | 5,11,15 | 17.9 | 25.2 | 31.3 | 25.6 | 21.0 | 27.2 | 31.9 | 19.9 |
| Vermont | 1st | 42.1 | 26.2 | 17.6 | 14.1 | 56.6 | 20.6 | 12.7 | 10.1 |
| Virginia | 1st | 42.0 | 25.8 | 17.3 | 15.0 | 56.4 | 20.3 | 12.4 | 10.9 |
| Virgin Islands | 1st | 45.1 | 24.4 | 16.6 | 13.9 | 62.0 | 18.8 | 10.8 | 8.3 |
| Washington | 1-10 | 24.4 | 34.2 | 23.0 | 18.4 | 32.6 | 36.3 | 17.7 | 13.4 |
| West Virginia | 1-9 | 24.5 | 33.4 | 23.2 | 18.9 | 35.3 | 34.4 | 17.3 | 13.0 |
| Wisconsin | See note | 20.4 | 30.6 | 27.6 | 21.4 | 24.7 | 34.6 | 24.3 | 16.3 |
| Wyoming | 1-4 | 33.6 | 28.5 | 20.6 | 17.2 | 47.2 | 24.5 | 15.6 | 12.6 |

¹ Column shows the range of calendar days, or single day, on which regular monthly benefits are disbursed to households. Staggered issuance cycles are based on criteria that vary by State (case number, last name, SSN, or date of birth).

² Issuance schedule varies by county; maximum range is shown.

³ New York City and Pennsylvania issue benefits during the first 10 business days, excluding Sundays and holidays.

Note: Four states have nonconsecutive issuance days. IL: 1,3,5,8,11,14,17,19,21,23; MA: 1,2,4,5,7,8,10,11,13,14; TX: 1,3,5,6,7,9,11,12,13,15; and WI: 2,3,5,6,8,9,11,12,14,15.

Source: USDA, Food and Nutrition Service. EBT Redemption Transactions from ALERT System, FY2003. Average monthly statistics.

Table B-22b—Distribution of EBT Benefit Redemption by Day of Week, FY2003

| | EBT benefit redemption by day of week | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|----------------------------|--|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|----------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| | Distribution of number of transactions | | | | | | | Distribution of dollars redeemed | | | | | | |
| | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat | Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat | Sun |
| Total U.S. | 13.4% | 14.8% | 15.0% | 14.5% | 14.2% | 13.5% | 14.6% | 14.0% | 14.8% | 14.8% | 14.1% | 13.8% | 13.2% | 15.3% |
| Alabama | 13.5 | 15.1 | 15.0 | 14.3 | 13.9 | 13.0 | 15.1 | 13.9 | 15.3 | 14.5 | 14.0 | 13.4 | 13.0 | 15.9 |
| Alaska | 11.8 | 14.8 | 15.9 | 14.4 | 14.4 | 14.2 | 14.5 | 11.7 | 14.4 | 16.9 | 13.9 | 14.0 | 14.1 | 14.9 |
| Arizona | 14.2 | 14.8 | 14.9 | 14.3 | 14.1 | 13.4 | 14.1 | 15.1 | 15.1 | 14.7 | 14.0 | 13.5 | 12.9 | 14.7 |
| Arkansas | 13.7 | 14.8 | 15.4 | 14.2 | 14.2 | 12.9 | 15.0 | 14.2 | 14.3 | 15.6 | 13.5 | 14.2 | 12.4 | 15.7 |
| California | 14.0 | 14.8 | 15.1 | 14.6 | 14.4 | 13.6 | 13.5 | 14.5 | 15.1 | 15.0 | 14.4 | 14.0 | 13.2 | 13.7 |
| Colorado | 14.3 | 14.5 | 14.8 | 14.3 | 14.2 | 13.6 | 14.3 | 15.0 | 14.3 | 14.6 | 14.1 | 13.9 | 13.2 | 14.9 |
| Connecticut | 13.7 | 14.9 | 15.3 | 14.7 | 14.3 | 12.9 | 14.3 | 14.5 | 14.9 | 15.1 | 14.3 | 14.1 | 12.3 | 14.9 |
| Delaware | 13.8 | 14.6 | 15.7 | 15.4 | 14.1 | 12.7 | 13.6 | 14.0 | 14.8 | 15.8 | 15.1 | 13.9 | 12.5 | 13.8 |
| District of Columbia | 14.8 | 13.6 | 15.0 | 14.2 | 14.1 | 13.1 | 15.2 | 16.0 | 13.2 | 14.5 | 13.6 | 13.6 | 12.6 | 16.6 |
| Florida | 13.8 | 14.6 | 15.0 | 14.4 | 14.1 | 13.3 | 14.8 | 14.6 | 14.6 | 14.7 | 13.8 | 13.6 | 13.0 | 15.7 |
| Georgia | 13.8 | 15.0 | 14.7 | 14.4 | 13.9 | 12.8 | 15.4 | 14.6 | 15.2 | 14.0 | 13.8 | 13.4 | 12.5 | 16.5 |
| Hawaii | 13.2 | 14.0 | 14.9 | 14.6 | 14.7 | 14.2 | 14.3 | 13.6 | 13.6 | 14.9 | 14.4 | 14.8 | 13.9 | 14.8 |
| Idaho | 13.4 | 14.7 | 14.9 | 14.4 | 14.3 | 13.8 | 14.6 | 13.9 | 14.5 | 14.8 | 14.3 | 13.9 | 13.4 | 15.2 |
| Illinois | 13.5 | 14.8 | 15.0 | 14.1 | 13.9 | 13.6 | 15.1 | 13.9 | 14.9 | 15.0 | 13.2 | 13.2 | 13.4 | 16.4 |
| Indiana | 13.7 | 14.8 | 15.0 | 14.4 | 14.1 | 13.3 | 14.8 | 14.0 | 14.8 | 14.9 | 14.1 | 13.8 | 13.0 | 15.3 |
| Iowa | 12.9 | 15.4 | 15.2 | 14.4 | 13.8 | 13.8 | 14.5 | 12.3 | 16.0 | 14.9 | 14.3 | 13.1 | 14.0 | 15.3 |
| Kansas | 13.7 | 15.0 | 15.1 | 14.3 | 14.2 | 13.4 | 14.4 | 14.2 | 15.1 | 15.0 | 14.0 | 13.8 | 13.0 | 14.9 |
| Kentucky | 13.5 | 15.1 | 15.0 | 14.5 | 14.2 | 13.3 | 14.4 | 14.2 | 15.3 | 14.8 | 14.2 | 13.8 | 12.9 | 14.7 |
| Louisiana | 13.2 | 14.7 | 14.7 | 14.7 | 14.1 | 13.4 | 15.0 | 14.0 | 14.7 | 14.5 | 14.3 | 13.8 | 13.0 | 15.8 |
| Maine | 13.0 | 15.2 | 14.7 | 14.2 | 14.8 | 14.1 | 14.0 | 13.6 | 15.4 | 14.2 | 14.0 | 14.5 | 13.8 | 14.4 |
| Maryland | 12.8 | 14.8 | 15.4 | 14.5 | 14.5 | 13.3 | 14.8 | 14.9 | 14.5 | 14.6 | 13.6 | 13.8 | 12.8 | 15.8 |
| Massachusetts | 13.3 | 15.3 | 15.0 | 14.4 | 14.1 | 13.4 | 14.5 | 13.9 | 15.6 | 14.6 | 13.8 | 13.4 | 13.3 | 15.5 |
| Michigan | 13.5 | 14.6 | 15.0 | 14.7 | 14.1 | 13.3 | 14.7 | 13.9 | 14.6 | 14.9 | 14.5 | 13.7 | 13.0 | 15.3 |
| Minnesota | 14.1 | 14.4 | 14.6 | 14.3 | 14.1 | 13.8 | 14.6 | 14.6 | 14.2 | 14.2 | 14.0 | 13.8 | 13.9 | 15.3 |
| Mississippi | 13.0 | 15.3 | 14.8 | 14.1 | 14.0 | 13.2 | 15.6 | 13.3 | 15.5 | 14.1 | 13.9 | 13.6 | 13.2 | 16.4 |
| Missouri | 13.8 | 14.8 | 14.9 | 14.3 | 13.9 | 13.4 | 15.1 | 14.3 | 14.8 | 14.6 | 13.8 | 13.5 | 13.1 | 16.0 |
| Montana | 13.6 | 14.8 | 14.7 | 14.5 | 14.5 | 13.7 | 14.1 | 14.0 | 14.8 | 14.3 | 14.4 | 14.4 | 13.5 | 14.5 |
| Nebraska | 13.8 | 14.7 | 14.8 | 14.4 | 14.1 | 13.6 | 14.6 | 14.2 | 14.5 | 14.6 | 14.1 | 13.8 | 13.3 | 15.4 |
| Nevada | 14.0 | 14.6 | 15.2 | 14.3 | 14.2 | 13.9 | 13.9 | 14.5 | 14.6 | 15.2 | 13.8 | 13.9 | 13.8 | 14.2 |
| New Hampshire | 13.4 | 15.0 | 15.0 | 14.6 | 14.3 | 13.2 | 14.6 | 13.7 | 14.4 | 14.9 | 14.4 | 14.2 | 12.3 | 16.1 |
| New Jersey | 13.7 | 14.6 | 15.1 | 14.8 | 14.4 | 13.2 | 14.2 | 14.9 | 14.4 | 14.6 | 14.3 | 13.8 | 12.6 | 15.3 |
| New Mexico | 13.9 | 14.7 | 14.9 | 14.4 | 14.2 | 13.5 | 14.5 | 14.0 | 14.8 | 14.7 | 14.3 | 13.8 | 13.2 | 15.2 |
| New York | 12.3 | 14.6 | 15.2 | 14.8 | 14.6 | 14.3 | 14.1 | 12.5 | 14.4 | 14.9 | 14.4 | 14.2 | 13.9 | 15.7 |
| North Carolina | 13.1 | 14.9 | 15.0 | 14.4 | 14.3 | 13.3 | 15.0 | 13.3 | 15.0 | 14.7 | 14.2 | 14.2 | 13.1 | 15.5 |
| North Dakota | 12.9 | 14.8 | 16.0 | 14.3 | 13.8 | 13.9 | 14.2 | 13.8 | 14.5 | 16.7 | 13.6 | 12.9 | 13.8 | 14.7 |
| Ohio | 13.3 | 14.6 | 14.9 | 14.6 | 14.2 | 13.6 | 14.8 | 13.7 | 14.7 | 14.8 | 14.4 | 14.0 | 13.3 | 15.0 |
| Oklahoma | 14.0 | 14.7 | 15.0 | 14.7 | 14.0 | 13.3 | 14.2 | 14.9 | 14.8 | 15.3 | 14.8 | 13.2 | 12.5 | 14.6 |
| Oregon | 13.8 | 14.6 | 15.0 | 14.4 | 14.1 | 14.0 | 14.0 | 14.6 | 14.7 | 15.0 | 14.2 | 13.6 | 13.6 | 14.2 |
| Pennsylvania | 11.3 | 14.6 | 15.1 | 15.1 | 15.2 | 14.7 | 14.0 | 10.4 | 14.8 | 14.9 | 15.3 | 15.5 | 15.2 | 13.8 |
| Rhode Island | 13.4 | 15.4 | 16.7 | 14.1 | 13.2 | 12.8 | 14.4 | 13.7 | 16.0 | 18.2 | 12.8 | 11.9 | 12.3 | 15.1 |
| South Carolina | 13.4 | 14.8 | 15.0 | 14.4 | 13.9 | 12.8 | 15.6 | 13.9 | 14.8 | 14.6 | 14.1 | 13.5 | 12.6 | 16.4 |
| South Dakota | 13.3 | 14.9 | 15.1 | 14.0 | 15.2 | 13.8 | 13.7 | 13.8 | 15.0 | 15.2 | 13.1 | 15.9 | 13.3 | 13.7 |
| Tennessee | 13.8 | 14.9 | 14.9 | 14.5 | 14.1 | 13.0 | 14.9 | 14.6 | 14.8 | 14.6 | 14.2 | 13.8 | 12.5 | 15.5 |
| Texas | 14.4 | 14.8 | 14.9 | 14.3 | 14.0 | 13.3 | 14.4 | 14.9 | 15.0 | 14.9 | 14.0 | 13.5 | 12.9 | 14.8 |
| Utah | 12.2 | 14.6 | 15.1 | 14.4 | 14.1 | 14.1 | 15.4 | 12.0 | 14.4 | 15.5 | 14.4 | 13.6 | 14.0 | 16.2 |
| Vermont | 13.9 | 14.6 | 15.8 | 14.1 | 13.6 | 13.6 | 14.4 | 15.0 | 14.0 | 16.5 | 13.1 | 12.7 | 13.5 | 15.2 |
| Virginia | 13.8 | 14.3 | 16.0 | 14.4 | 13.7 | 13.0 | 14.8 | 14.9 | 13.6 | 16.9 | 13.6 | 12.6 | 12.8 | 15.5 |
| Virgin Islands | 11.8 | 14.5 | 16.1 | 13.9 | 14.3 | 13.8 | 15.7 | 11.9 | 14.6 | 16.8 | 12.8 | 13.7 | 13.3 | 17.0 |
| Washington | 13.4 | 14.5 | 14.9 | 14.3 | 14.4 | 14.4 | 14.2 | 14.1 | 14.4 | 14.7 | 14.2 | 14.2 | 14.0 | 14.5 |
| West Virginia | 13.0 | 15.4 | 15.1 | 14.6 | 14.3 | 13.7 | 14.0 | 13.4 | 15.7 | 15.1 | 14.4 | 13.9 | 13.4 | 14.2 |
| Wisconsin | 13.8 | 14.8 | 14.8 | 14.4 | 14.1 | 13.3 | 14.8 | 13.6 | 14.9 | 14.8 | 14.3 | 13.7 | 13.0 | 15.8 |
| Wyoming | 13.5 | 15.0 | 15.0 | 14.4 | 14.3 | 13.8 | 14.0 | 13.8 | 14.8 | 14.9 | 14.3 | 14.1 | 13.8 | 14.2 |

Source: USDA, Food and Nutrition Service. EBT Redemption Transactions from ALERT System, FY2003. Average monthly statistics.

Table B-23—Prevalence of EBT Purchase Inactivity, for Households Grouped by Monthly Issuance Amount, FY2003

| | Avg monthly number of households | Percent of households ever inactive during FY2003 ¹ | | | | | | |
|----------------------------|---|--|---|---------|----------|-----------|-----------|---------|
| | | All households | Households grouped by monthly issuance amount | | | | | |
| | | | < \$25 | \$26-50 | \$51-100 | \$101-200 | \$201-300 | > \$300 |
| Total U.S. | 8,466,608 | 7.1% | 25.6% | 14.5% | 8.0% | 5.3% | 4.3% | 3.7% |
| Alabama | 182,866 | 5.5 | 19.0 | 10.0 | 5.9 | 4.1 | 4.3 | 3.9 |
| Alaska | 17,297 | 10.9 | 41.2 | 27.9 | 15.2 | 8.6 | 7.6 | 6.0 |
| Arizona | 183,585 | 5.7 | 21.2 | 13.9 | 7.7 | 5.6 | 4.4 | 3.3 |
| Arkansas | 123,640 | 5.4 | 26.4 | 11.8 | 5.8 | 3.0 | 2.6 | 2.2 |
| California | 220,739 | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| Colorado | 83,532 | 11.7 | 32.0 | 18.9 | 11.9 | 8.9 | 8.3 | 8.7 |
| Connecticut | 88,150 | 10.9 | 34.5 | 17.7 | 10.1 | 6.3 | 3.9 | 2.6 |
| Delaware | 11,443 | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| District of Columbia | 38,308 | 7.2 | 28.6 | 17.5 | 9.9 | 5.7 | 4.4 | 3.2 |
| Florida | 482,533 | 8.5 | 29.2 | 15.8 | 8.4 | 5.1 | 5.2 | 4.6 |
| Georgia | 308,361 | 6.1 | 22.0 | 11.1 | 6.6 | 4.8 | 4.0 | 4.2 |
| Hawaii | 49,510 | 5.4 | 15.7 | 20.9 | 9.0 | 5.8 | 4.6 | 3.3 |
| Idaho | 32,452 | 7.8 | 29.0 | 15.6 | 8.2 | 5.1 | 4.1 | 3.3 |
| Illinois | 428,984 | 6.5 | 18.1 | 12.0 | 8.0 | 5.4 | 5.0 | 3.9 |
| Indiana | 198,184 | 7.2 | 29.2 | 18.2 | 9.4 | 5.3 | 4.1 | 3.3 |
| Iowa | 31,799 | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| Kansas | 67,170 | 7.7 | 30.2 | 15.2 | 7.2 | 4.1 | 2.9 | 1.7 |
| Kentucky | 209,885 | 6.0 | 29.0 | 12.8 | 6.9 | 3.6 | 2.3 | 1.7 |
| Louisiana | 254,497 | 3.8 | 14.3 | 11.1 | 5.6 | 3.2 | 2.4 | 1.9 |
| Maine | 54,528 | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| Maryland | 111,999 | 10.0 | 22.9 | 13.3 | 10.5 | 8.1 | 7.7 | 8.5 |
| Massachusetts | 124,201 | 7.1 | 23.7 | 12.0 | 8.4 | 5.2 | 3.5 | 2.6 |
| Michigan | 351,646 | 8.2 | 29.9 | 16.8 | 9.7 | 6.1 | 3.8 | 3.0 |
| Minnesota | 96,824 | 9.4 | 32.4 | 20.1 | 12.4 | 6.0 | 4.0 | 3.1 |
| Mississippi | 142,947 | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| Missouri | 243,648 | 5.7 | 25.2 | 12.1 | 6.5 | 4.1 | 2.6 | 2.1 |
| Montana | 28,876 | 7.1 | 31.0 | 22.1 | 10.5 | 4.4 | 2.0 | 1.4 |
| Nebraska | 41,611 | 11.0 | 36.5 | 17.2 | 8.7 | 6.1 | 4.9 | 3.8 |
| Nevada | 47,374 | 11.2 | 27.3 | 19.1 | 12.2 | 8.6 | 9.1 | 8.8 |
| New Hampshire | 20,798 | 9.0 | 32.8 | 19.3 | 9.5 | 3.6 | 1.6 | 1.2 |
| New Jersey | 155,115 | 8.2 | 23.1 | 12.9 | 8.2 | 6.8 | 6.1 | 5.6 |
| New Mexico | 74,256 | 6.9 | 30.5 | 15.2 | 7.7 | 5.0 | 3.9 | 4.1 |
| New York | 735,648 | 8.1 | 24.7 | 22.0 | 9.6 | 6.7 | 5.0 | 5.0 |
| North Carolina | 267,400 | 6.7 | 28.0 | 14.6 | 6.8 | 3.9 | 3.2 | 2.7 |
| North Dakota | 16,813 | 7.8 | 34.5 | 19.8 | 10.4 | 4.6 | 2.3 | 1.5 |
| Ohio | 367,801 | 6.5 | 14.1 | 8.6 | 4.9 | 5.5 | 6.2 | 5.6 |
| Oklahoma | 149,280 | 8.3 | 34.1 | 16.7 | 7.4 | 3.7 | 2.7 | 2.4 |
| Oregon | 179,255 | 5.9 | 30.8 | 15.7 | 7.8 | 3.8 | 1.5 | 0.9 |
| Pennsylvania | 365,835 | 6.9 | 28.0 | 14.7 | 8.0 | 4.2 | 3.0 | 2.2 |
| Rhode Island | 33,836 | 9.1 | 37.0 | 17.6 | 8.8 | 4.4 | 2.9 | 2.0 |
| South Carolina | 183,577 | 5.7 | 26.5 | 17.0 | 6.0 | 3.5 | 2.1 | 1.4 |
| South Dakota | 20,021 | 5.5 | 23.8 | 13.3 | 8.7 | 4.4 | 2.4 | 1.0 |
| Tennessee | 312,598 | 7.6 | 31.2 | 13.8 | 7.5 | 4.3 | 3.5 | 3.0 |
| Texas | 726,384 | 5.9 | 2.8 | 12.4 | 9.2 | 6.0 | 6.3 | 5.4 |
| Utah | 39,414 | 5.9 | 20.2 | 14.1 | 7.9 | 5.1 | 3.7 | 2.2 |
| Vermont | 13,649 | 5.4 | 24.9 | 16.7 | 8.3 | 4.4 | 2.5 | 2.0 |
| Virginia | 167,393 | 9.4 | 32.6 | 17.3 | 9.5 | 4.5 | 3.6 | 2.9 |
| Virgin Islands | 4,387 | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| Washington | 196,527 | 5.9 | 25.5 | 16.2 | 7.2 | 4.8 | 3.0 | 2.1 |
| West Virginia | 59,230 | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| Wisconsin | 110,849 | 9.6 | 32.7 | 17.7 | 9.7 | 5.9 | 3.9 | 2.7 |
| Wyoming | 9,955 | 4.6 | 17.4 | 9.2 | 4.1 | 3.9 | 2.8 | 1.7 |

¹ Households are identified as "ever inactive" if, during any month, issuance was received but no purchase transactions were made.

— EBT was implemented during FY2003 and there were fewer than 12 months of data available for this analysis.

Source: USDA, Food and Nutrition Service. EBT Redemption Transactions from ALERT System, FY2003. Statistics are based on a sample of approximately 10,000 households per State and month. For sampled households, EBT inactivity is based on data from all 12-months.

Table B-24—Distribution of Households by Months of EBT Purchase Inactivity, FY2003

| | Avg monthly number of households | Percent of households by number of months of inactivity | | | | Percent of households with consecutive months of inactivity |
|----------------------------|----------------------------------|---|------|------|-------------|---|
| | | Zero | One | Two | More than 2 | |
| Total U.S. | 8,466,608 | 92.9% | 5.6% | 1.0% | 0.5% | 0.5% |
| Alabama | 182,866 | 94.5 | 4.8 | 0.5 | 0.2 | 0.2 |
| Alaska | 17,297 | 89.1 | 8.0 | 1.8 | 1.1 | 1.2 |
| Arizona | 183,585 | 94.3 | 4.9 | 0.6 | 0.2 | 0.3 |
| Arkansas | 123,640 | 94.6 | 4.2 | 0.8 | 0.4 | 0.3 |
| California | 220,739 | — | — | — | — | — |
| Colorado | 83,532 | 88.3 | 9.1 | 1.6 | 1.0 | 0.8 |
| Connecticut | 88,150 | 89.1 | 7.8 | 1.9 | 1.2 | 1.0 |
| Delaware | 11,443 | — | — | — | — | — |
| District of Columbia | 38,308 | 92.8 | 5.9 | 0.8 | 0.4 | 0.5 |
| Florida | 482,533 | 91.5 | 6.6 | 1.2 | 0.7 | 0.5 |
| Georgia | 308,361 | 93.9 | 5.2 | 0.7 | 0.2 | 0.2 |
| Hawaii | 49,510 | 94.6 | 4.7 | 0.5 | 0.2 | 0.2 |
| Idaho | 32,452 | 92.2 | 5.7 | 1.2 | 0.9 | 0.8 |
| Illinois | 428,984 | 93.5 | 5.7 | 0.6 | 0.2 | 0.2 |
| Indiana | 198,184 | 92.8 | 5.6 | 1.0 | 0.6 | 0.5 |
| Iowa | 31,799 | — | — | — | — | — |
| Kansas | 67,170 | 92.3 | 5.6 | 1.3 | 0.8 | 0.6 |
| Kentucky | 209,885 | 94.0 | 4.5 | 1.0 | 0.5 | 0.5 |
| Louisiana | 254,497 | 96.2 | 3.2 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 0.1 |
| Maine | 54,528 | — | — | — | — | — |
| Maryland | 111,999 | 90.0 | 8.4 | 1.2 | 0.4 | 0.4 |
| Massachusetts | 124,201 | 92.9 | 5.7 | 0.9 | 0.5 | 0.5 |
| Michigan | 351,646 | 91.8 | 6.0 | 1.4 | 0.8 | 0.9 |
| Minnesota | 96,824 | 90.6 | 6.9 | 1.6 | 0.9 | 0.6 |
| Mississippi | 142,947 | — | — | — | — | — |
| Missouri | 243,648 | 94.3 | 4.6 | 0.8 | 0.3 | 0.3 |
| Montana | 28,876 | 92.9 | 5.0 | 1.3 | 0.8 | 0.8 |
| Nebraska | 41,611 | 89.0 | 7.8 | 1.9 | 1.2 | 0.6 |
| Nevada | 47,374 | 88.8 | 9.2 | 1.4 | 0.6 | 0.5 |
| New Hampshire | 20,798 | 91.0 | 5.8 | 1.8 | 1.5 | 1.0 |
| New Jersey | 155,115 | 91.8 | 6.9 | 1.0 | 0.3 | 0.3 |
| New Mexico | 74,256 | 93.1 | 5.5 | 0.9 | 0.6 | 0.5 |
| New York | 735,648 | 91.9 | 6.3 | 1.1 | 0.6 | 0.8 |
| North Carolina | 267,400 | 93.3 | 5.0 | 1.0 | 0.7 | 0.5 |
| North Dakota | 16,813 | 92.2 | 5.5 | 1.2 | 1.0 | 0.7 |
| Ohio | 367,801 | 93.5 | 5.7 | 0.5 | 0.2 | 0.2 |
| Oklahoma | 149,280 | 91.7 | 5.4 | 1.5 | 1.4 | 1.2 |
| Oregon | 179,255 | 94.1 | 4.4 | 1.0 | 0.5 | 0.6 |
| Pennsylvania | 365,835 | 93.1 | 5.3 | 1.0 | 0.6 | 0.3 |
| Rhode Island | 33,836 | 90.9 | 5.9 | 1.7 | 1.5 | 1.3 |
| South Carolina | 183,577 | 94.3 | 4.1 | 1.0 | 0.6 | 0.6 |
| South Dakota | 20,021 | 94.5 | 4.2 | 0.8 | 0.4 | 0.2 |
| Tennessee | 312,598 | 92.4 | 5.6 | 1.3 | 0.8 | 0.6 |
| Texas | 726,384 | 94.1 | 5.1 | 0.6 | 0.2 | 0.2 |
| Utah | 39,414 | 94.1 | 4.7 | 0.8 | 0.4 | 0.3 |
| Vermont | 13,649 | 94.6 | 4.2 | 0.8 | 0.4 | 0.3 |
| Virginia | 167,393 | 90.6 | 6.9 | 1.6 | 1.0 | 0.4 |
| Virgin Islands | 4,387 | — | — | — | — | — |
| Washington | 196,527 | 94.1 | 4.7 | 0.8 | 0.4 | 0.3 |
| West Virginia | 59,230 | — | — | — | — | — |
| Wisconsin | 110,849 | 90.4 | 7.0 | 1.7 | 1.0 | 0.6 |
| Wyoming | 9,955 | 95.4 | 3.8 | 0.5 | 0.3 | 0.2 |

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Source: USDA, Food and Nutrition Service. EBT Redemption Transactions from ALERT System, FY2003. Statistics are based on a sample of approximately 10,000 households per State and month. For sampled households, EBT inactivity is based on data from all 12-months.

Table B-24a—Distribution of Case-Months of EBT Purchase Inactivity, Across Quarters of FY 2003

| | Avg monthly number of households | Distribution of inactive months across quarters | | | |
|----------------------------|----------------------------------|---|-----------------|--------------|------------------|
| | | October - December | January - March | April - June | July - September |
| Total U.S. | 8,466,608 | 20.0% | 26.7% | 27.0% | 26.3% |
| Alabama | 182,866 | 19.2 | 25.8 | 27.3 | 27.6 |
| Alaska | 17,297 | 24.2 | 27.5 | 26.7 | 21.5 |
| Arizona | 183,585 | 20.6 | 26.5 | 26.3 | 26.6 |
| Arkansas | 123,640 | 21.7 | 26.4 | 27.8 | 24.0 |
| California | 220,739 | — | — | — | — |
| Colorado | 83,532 | 19.6 | 26.3 | 28.8 | 25.4 |
| Connecticut | 88,150 | 21.7 | 28.2 | 26.2 | 23.9 |
| Delaware | 11,443 | — | — | — | — |
| District of Columbia | 38,308 | 20.0 | 26.1 | 23.9 | 30.0 |
| Florida | 482,533 | 20.5 | 26.3 | 27.2 | 26.0 |
| Georgia | 308,361 | 20.0 | 26.7 | 26.1 | 27.2 |
| Hawaii | 49,510 | 20.6 | 25.3 | 28.6 | 25.4 |
| Idaho | 32,452 | 18.4 | 26.8 | 28.3 | 26.5 |
| Illinois | 428,984 | 20.5 | 28.0 | 26.5 | 24.9 |
| Indiana | 198,184 | 19.7 | 26.9 | 27.1 | 26.3 |
| Iowa | 31,799 | — | — | — | — |
| Kansas | 67,170 | 21.2 | 28.4 | 28.7 | 21.6 |
| Kentucky | 209,885 | 22.5 | 26.5 | 24.7 | 26.3 |
| Louisiana | 254,497 | 16.4 | 27.0 | 29.3 | 27.2 |
| Maine | 54,528 | — | — | — | — |
| Maryland | 111,999 | 19.6 | 25.8 | 28.1 | 26.5 |
| Massachusetts | 124,201 | 20.2 | 25.8 | 27.5 | 26.5 |
| Michigan | 351,646 | 21.1 | 26.5 | 27.2 | 25.2 |
| Minnesota | 96,824 | 20.0 | 25.2 | 25.4 | 29.4 |
| Mississippi | 142,947 | — | — | — | — |
| Missouri | 243,648 | 22.9 | 28.3 | 25.3 | 23.5 |
| Montana | 28,876 | 6.9 | 27.6 | 28.9 | 36.6 |
| Nebraska | 41,611 | 19.9 | 26.5 | 27.7 | 26.0 |
| Nevada | 47,374 | 19.0 | 24.7 | 27.9 | 28.4 |
| New Hampshire | 20,798 | 21.1 | 25.8 | 26.0 | 27.1 |
| New Jersey | 155,115 | 21.6 | 28.0 | 26.6 | 23.8 |
| New Mexico | 74,256 | 19.9 | 25.9 | 27.2 | 27.0 |
| New York | 735,648 | 21.8 | 25.9 | 25.7 | 26.6 |
| North Carolina | 267,400 | 20.2 | 26.4 | 26.9 | 26.5 |
| North Dakota | 16,813 | 21.0 | 27.9 | 26.8 | 24.3 |
| Ohio | 367,801 | 18.4 | 28.1 | 26.4 | 27.1 |
| Oklahoma | 149,280 | 19.3 | 27.1 | 27.4 | 26.2 |
| Oregon | 179,255 | 21.6 | 24.8 | 26.5 | 27.1 |
| Pennsylvania | 365,835 | 21.3 | 27.2 | 25.0 | 26.4 |
| Rhode Island | 33,836 | 20.1 | 26.2 | 27.1 | 26.5 |
| South Carolina | 183,577 | 19.4 | 26.4 | 28.4 | 25.8 |
| South Dakota | 20,021 | 20.4 | 26.1 | 23.6 | 29.8 |
| Tennessee | 312,598 | 18.0 | 25.8 | 28.7 | 27.5 |
| Texas | 726,384 | 18.8 | 28.2 | 28.3 | 24.8 |
| Utah | 39,414 | 19.2 | 26.0 | 26.0 | 28.8 |
| Vermont | 13,649 | 19.8 | 28.4 | 26.6 | 25.2 |
| Virginia | 167,393 | 21.8 | 28.1 | 26.1 | 24.0 |
| Virgin Islands | 4,387 | — | — | — | — |
| Washington | 196,527 | 19.5 | 25.3 | 26.6 | 28.7 |
| West Virginia | 59,230 | — | — | — | — |
| Wisconsin | 110,849 | 19.7 | 26.5 | 27.6 | 26.2 |
| Wyoming | 9,955 | 17.5 | 27.6 | 27.0 | 27.9 |

— EBT was implemented during FY2003 and there were fewer than 12 months of data available for this analysis.

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Table B-25—Distribution of Households by Months of EBT Participation, FY2003

| | Avg # months of participation | Number of months of participation | | | | |
|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|---|------------|------------|-------------|-----------|
| | | 1-2 months | 3-5 months | 6-8 months | 9-11 months | 12 months |
| | | <i>Percent distribution of households</i> | | | | |
| Total U.S. | 7.62 | 15.5% | 20.0% | 15.7% | 19.4% | 29.3% |
| Alabama | 8.24 | 12.7 | 17.2 | 14.2 | 17.9 | 38.1 |
| Alaska | 7.07 | 15.9 | 23.7 | 19.6 | 18.8 | 21.9 |
| Arizona | 7.45 | 14.4 | 22.6 | 17.6 | 16.8 | 28.6 |
| Arkansas | 8.00 | 12.8 | 19.0 | 15.4 | 18.4 | 34.4 |
| California ¹ | 5.11 | 29.9 | 32.8 | 18.4 | 9.3 | 9.6 |
| Colorado | 6.92 | 18.9 | 24.4 | 15.8 | 17.1 | 23.8 |
| Connecticut | 8.38 | 11.5 | 16.0 | 15.7 | 18.4 | 38.5 |
| Delaware | 1.60 | 82.0 | 18.0 | — | — | — |
| District of Columbia | 8.31 | 10.9 | 17.3 | 16.0 | 18.8 | 37.0 |
| Florida | 7.21 | 17.4 | 23.0 | 15.5 | 16.8 | 27.4 |
| Georgia | 8.08 | 12.5 | 19.0 | 14.8 | 18.3 | 35.3 |
| Hawaii | 8.73 | 10.5 | 15.6 | 12.5 | 15.4 | 46.1 |
| Idaho | 7.39 | 16.8 | 21.0 | 16.3 | 17.1 | 28.8 |
| Illinois | 7.35 | 17.4 | 17.4 | 14.4 | 50.9 | — |
| Indiana | 8.02 | 13.2 | 18.7 | 14.9 | 17.1 | 36.0 |
| Iowa | 1.48 | 100.0 | — | — | — | — |
| Kansas | 7.63 | 16.4 | 19.0 | 15.3 | 17.9 | 31.3 |
| Kentucky | 8.52 | 11.1 | 16.1 | 14.1 | 16.8 | 42.0 |
| Louisiana | 7.56 | 17.8 | 15.2 | 12.4 | 54.5 | — |
| Maine | 3.63 | 16.9 | 83.1 | — | — | — |
| Maryland | 7.88 | 14.6 | 18.7 | 14.6 | 18.5 | 33.6 |
| Massachusetts | 7.63 | 15.8 | 19.8 | 15.9 | 16.7 | 31.8 |
| Michigan | 8.00 | 12.7 | 20.1 | 14.4 | 16.9 | 35.8 |
| Minnesota | 7.32 | 17.5 | 21.4 | 15.4 | 18.1 | 27.6 |
| Mississippi ¹ | 5.45 | 14.7 | 21.6 | 63.8 | — | — |
| Missouri | 8.13 | 12.7 | 17.9 | 15.2 | 17.7 | 36.4 |
| Montana | 8.01 | 13.9 | 17.7 | 15.2 | 18.6 | 34.6 |
| Nebraska | 7.40 | 16.2 | 22.1 | 15.0 | 17.8 | 28.8 |
| Nevada | 6.68 | 19.4 | 26.4 | 16.1 | 16.7 | 21.4 |
| New Hampshire | 7.46 | 16.9 | 20.2 | 16.0 | 17.1 | 29.8 |
| New Jersey | 8.11 | 12.6 | 19.1 | 14.1 | 16.8 | 37.2 |
| New Mexico | 7.50 | 15.3 | 21.6 | 15.8 | 17.9 | 29.4 |
| New York | 8.79 | 11.8 | 13.3 | 12.0 | 16.4 | 46.5 |
| North Carolina | 7.35 | 17.4 | 22.6 | 14.1 | 15.5 | 30.4 |
| North Dakota | 8.00 | 13.5 | 18.6 | 14.8 | 18.0 | 35.1 |
| Ohio | 8.21 | 11.9 | 17.9 | 14.3 | 22.1 | 33.8 |
| Oklahoma | 7.58 | 14.4 | 22.0 | 15.2 | 17.1 | 31.2 |
| Oregon | 7.82 | 13.0 | 18.9 | 18.7 | 18.1 | 31.2 |
| Pennsylvania | 8.44 | 13.0 | 15.0 | 13.2 | 18.0 | 40.8 |
| Rhode Island | 8.53 | 10.3 | 15.6 | 14.3 | 26.4 | 33.4 |
| South Carolina | 8.60 | 10.6 | 15.5 | 14.1 | 18.3 | 41.6 |
| South Dakota | 7.52 | 17.1 | 19.9 | 14.9 | 17.7 | 30.4 |
| Tennessee | 8.08 | 13.0 | 17.5 | 15.9 | 18.3 | 35.3 |
| Texas | 7.38 | 16.4 | 22.3 | 14.9 | 18.2 | 28.3 |
| Utah | 6.63 | 22.6 | 23.6 | 15.6 | 15.2 | 23.0 |
| Vermont | 7.38 | 16.5 | 21.7 | 16.2 | 16.1 | 29.4 |
| Virginia | 7.70 | 16.5 | 19.4 | 13.5 | 16.9 | 33.7 |
| Virgin Islands | 7.10 | 10.9 | 15.4 | 15.5 | 58.1 | — |
| Washington | 7.65 | 14.7 | 21.1 | 15.4 | 16.4 | 32.3 |
| West Virginia ¹ | 5.71 | 12.2 | 30.6 | 51.5 | 1.8 | 3.8 |
| Wisconsin | 7.32 | 16.8 | 21.1 | 17.1 | 18.8 | 26.1 |
| Wyoming | 6.71 | 20.6 | 24.4 | 15.8 | 18.2 | 20.9 |

¹ EBT participation underestimates food stamp participation in California, Mississippi, and West Virginia. In these States, EBT was rolled out gradually and did not operate statewide for the full fiscal year.

— Not applicable. In 5 States, the number of months of EBT participation was limited because EBT operated for only part of the fiscal year: Delaware (4 months), Iowa (2 months), Maine (6 months), Mississippi (7 months) and Virgin Islands (9 months). Illinois, Louisiana, and North Carolina have only 11 months of usable ALERT data due to problems with the data files.

Source: USDA, Food and Nutrition Service. EBT Redemption Transactions from ALERT System, FY2003. Average monthly statistics.

Table B-26—Average Number of EBT Purchase Transactions Per Household: By Month, FY2003

| | Average number of EBT purchase transactions, by month | | | | | | | | | | | |
|----------------------------|---|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| | Oct | Nov | Dec | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep |
| Total U.S. | 7.8 | 7.6 | 7.5 | 7.3 | 6.9 | 7.7 | 7.6 | 7.8 | 7.7 | 7.9 | 7.9 | 7.8 |
| Alabama | 7.8 | 7.6 | 7.7 | 7.2 | 6.8 | 8.0 | 7.6 | 7.8 | 7.5 | 7.7 | 7.6 | 7.5 |
| Alaska | 8.8 | 8.6 | 8.7 | 8.5 | 8.5 | 8.9 | 8.8 | 9.2 | 8.9 | 9.0 | 9.1 | 8.7 |
| Arizona | 9.0 | 8.8 | 8.7 | 8.5 | 8.0 | 8.8 | 8.7 | 9.1 | 8.9 | 9.0 | 8.9 | 8.8 |
| Arkansas | 7.9 | 7.7 | 7.7 | 7.3 | 6.9 | 7.9 | 7.8 | 8.0 | 7.8 | 8.0 | 7.8 | 7.6 |
| California | 8.6 | 8.4 | 7.8 | 8.0 | 7.7 | 7.8 | 7.9 | 8.2 | 8.1 | 8.3 | 8.1 | 8.2 |
| Colorado | 7.1 | 6.8 | 7.0 | 6.9 | 6.5 | 7.1 | 7.1 | 7.4 | 7.3 | 7.6 | 7.5 | 7.4 |
| Connecticut | 5.9 | 5.8 | 5.8 | 5.6 | 5.3 | 5.6 | 5.7 | 5.9 | 5.9 | 6.2 | 6.1 | 6.1 |
| Delaware | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | 6.7 | 6.2 | 6.3 |
| District of Columbia | 7.4 | 7.3 | 7.1 | 6.8 | 6.3 | 7.0 | 7.1 | 7.3 | 7.4 | 7.5 | 7.5 | 8.8 |
| Florida | 6.3 | 6.2 | 6.3 | 6.0 | 5.7 | 6.3 | 6.1 | 6.3 | 6.2 | 6.4 | 6.2 | 6.2 |
| Georgia | 7.3 | 7.3 | 7.3 | 6.9 | 6.5 | 7.4 | 7.2 | 7.5 | 7.2 | 7.4 | 7.3 | 7.2 |
| Hawaii | 13.0 | 12.9 | 12.9 | 12.6 | 12.0 | 12.9 | 12.6 | 13.0 | 12.9 | 12.8 | 12.9 | 12.5 |
| Idaho | 7.5 | 7.4 | 7.6 | 7.4 | 7.1 | 7.7 | 7.6 | 7.9 | 7.8 | 7.9 | 7.8 | 7.6 |
| Illinois | 8.4 | 8.3 | 8.3 | 7.8 | 7.5 | 8.4 | 8.3 | 8.7 | 8.6 | — | 8.8 | 8.2 |
| Indiana | 7.6 | 7.4 | 7.3 | 7.0 | 6.6 | 7.4 | 7.5 | 7.7 | 7.6 | 7.8 | 7.7 | 7.6 |
| Iowa | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | 7.8 | 7.6 |
| Kansas | 6.9 | 6.7 | 6.7 | 6.5 | 6.1 | 6.7 | 6.8 | 7.1 | 7.0 | 7.2 | 7.1 | 7.0 |
| Kentucky | 7.6 | 7.3 | 7.2 | 7.0 | 6.7 | 7.6 | 7.5 | 7.7 | 7.7 | 7.9 | 7.7 | 7.6 |
| Louisiana | 9.7 | 9.1 | — | 8.7 | 8.2 | 9.3 | 9.1 | 9.4 | 8.9 | 9.1 | 9.0 | 9.0 |
| Maine | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | 6.3 | 5.6 | 6.6 | 6.7 | 6.5 |
| Maryland | 7.4 | 7.3 | 7.1 | 7.0 | 6.3 | 7.3 | 7.3 | 7.4 | 7.5 | 7.7 | 7.6 | 7.9 |
| Massachusetts | 5.7 | 5.6 | 5.6 | 5.3 | 5.0 | 5.7 | 5.6 | 5.9 | 6.0 | 6.1 | 6.1 | 6.0 |
| Michigan | 7.0 | 6.9 | 6.9 | 6.6 | 6.3 | 6.8 | 6.9 | 7.2 | 7.2 | 7.4 | 8.7 | 7.6 |
| Minnesota | 6.6 | 6.5 | 6.4 | 6.2 | 5.8 | 6.5 | 6.5 | 6.8 | 6.8 | 6.8 | 6.8 | 6.6 |
| Mississippi | — | — | — | — | — | 7.7 | 7.4 | 7.8 | 7.4 | 7.6 | 7.5 | 7.4 |
| Missouri | 7.4 | 7.1 | 7.1 | 6.8 | 6.3 | 7.5 | 7.4 | 7.7 | 7.6 | 8.0 | 7.8 | 7.5 |
| Montana | 7.9 | 7.8 | 8.0 | 7.8 | 7.4 | 8.0 | 8.0 | 8.3 | 8.3 | 8.6 | 8.7 | 8.3 |
| Nebraska | 6.7 | 6.6 | 6.6 | 6.4 | 6.0 | 6.6 | 6.7 | 6.9 | 6.8 | 7.2 | 7.1 | 7.0 |
| Nevada | 7.5 | 7.2 | 7.5 | 7.3 | 6.7 | 7.8 | 6.6 | 7.8 | 7.6 | 7.6 | 7.6 | 7.6 |
| New Hampshire | 5.2 | 5.2 | 5.2 | 4.9 | 4.8 | 5.2 | 5.2 | 5.4 | 5.4 | 5.5 | 5.4 | 5.3 |
| New Jersey | 8.0 | 7.7 | 7.6 | 7.4 | 6.9 | 7.5 | 7.6 | 7.9 | 7.9 | 8.2 | 8.5 | 8.2 |
| New Mexico | 7.9 | 7.6 | 7.7 | 7.5 | 6.9 | 8.0 | 7.8 | 8.1 | 7.8 | 8.0 | 7.8 | 7.8 |
| New York | 9.5 | 9.1 | 9.1 | 8.8 | 8.3 | 9.2 | 9.1 | 9.4 | 9.4 | 9.7 | 9.8 | 10.0 |
| North Carolina | 7.0 | 6.9 | 7.4 | 6.7 | 6.3 | 7.0 | — | 7.2 | 7.0 | 7.2 | 7.1 | 7.0 |
| North Dakota | 6.9 | 6.8 | 6.8 | 6.6 | 6.4 | 6.8 | 7.0 | 7.1 | 7.0 | 7.2 | 7.1 | 6.9 |
| Ohio | 7.3 | 7.1 | 7.0 | 6.7 | 6.3 | 7.1 | 7.1 | 7.3 | 7.3 | 7.4 | 7.6 | 7.4 |
| Oklahoma | 8.7 | 8.5 | 8.5 | 8.2 | 7.7 | 8.3 | 8.6 | 9.0 | 8.7 | 8.9 | 8.8 | 8.7 |
| Oregon | 8.4 | 8.2 | 8.2 | 8.2 | 8.0 | 8.4 | 8.2 | 8.6 | 8.6 | 8.8 | 8.7 | 8.5 |
| Pennsylvania | 7.3 | 7.1 | 6.9 | 6.8 | 6.3 | 7.2 | 7.3 | 7.4 | 7.4 | 7.6 | 7.6 | 7.4 |
| Rhode Island | 7.2 | 6.6 | 6.8 | 7.2 | 6.2 | 6.7 | 6.8 | 7.2 | 7.1 | 7.4 | 7.3 | 7.2 |
| South Carolina | 6.9 | 6.8 | 7.0 | 6.6 | 6.2 | 6.9 | 6.8 | 7.0 | 6.8 | 6.9 | 6.7 | 6.8 |
| South Dakota | 8.1 | 7.9 | 8.1 | 7.6 | 7.3 | 8.3 | 8.3 | 8.4 | 8.3 | 8.4 | 8.4 | 8.0 |
| Tennessee | 7.1 | 7.0 | 7.0 | 6.7 | 6.4 | 7.1 | 7.1 | 7.3 | 7.1 | 7.6 | 7.5 | 7.1 |
| Texas | 8.5 | 8.2 | 8.3 | 7.8 | 7.3 | 8.2 | 8.1 | 8.4 | 8.1 | 8.2 | 8.2 | 8.1 |
| Utah | 8.0 | 7.7 | 7.9 | 7.8 | 7.3 | 8.3 | 8.0 | 8.4 | 8.2 | 8.6 | 8.4 | 8.2 |
| Vermont | 6.9 | 6.6 | 6.6 | 6.4 | 6.2 | 6.6 | 6.7 | 7.0 | 6.8 | 7.2 | 7.1 | 7.0 |
| Virginia | 6.7 | 6.5 | 6.4 | 6.2 | 5.9 | 6.4 | 6.6 | 6.7 | 6.6 | 6.8 | 6.7 | 7.2 |
| Virgin Islands | — | — | — | 9.3 | 8.9 | 9.3 | 9.1 | 9.3 | 9.0 | 9.0 | 8.9 | 8.5 |
| Washington | 7.7 | 7.5 | 7.6 | 7.5 | 7.3 | 7.8 | 7.6 | 7.8 | 7.9 | 7.9 | 7.8 | 7.6 |
| West Virginia | 6.3 | 7.0 | 7.0 | 6.8 | 6.0 | 6.8 | 7.0 | 7.4 | 7.4 | 7.6 | 7.5 | 7.3 |
| Wisconsin | 6.8 | 6.7 | 6.6 | 6.3 | 5.9 | 6.6 | 6.6 | 6.9 | 6.9 | 7.0 | 7.0 | 6.8 |
| Wyoming | 7.0 | 6.8 | 6.9 | 6.8 | 6.4 | 6.8 | 7.0 | 7.0 | 6.9 | 7.2 | 6.9 | 6.8 |

— EBT was not implemented in these months or data files were not usable (see note on Table B-25).

Source: USDA, Food and Nutrition Service. EBT Redemption Transactions from ALERT System, FY2003. Average monthly statistics.

Table B-27—Average EBT Purchase Amount: By Month, FY2003

| | Average EBT purchase amount, by month | | | | | | | | | | | |
|----------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| | Oct | Nov | Dec | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep |
| | <i>Dollar amounts</i> | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total U.S. | \$25.2 | \$25.6 | \$26.0 | \$26.5 | \$27.6 | \$26.0 | \$25.8 | \$25.2 | \$25.4 | \$25.1 | \$25.4 | \$25.6 |
| Alabama | 27.4 | 28.1 | 28.0 | 29.0 | 29.6 | 27.7 | 27.9 | 27.4 | 28.1 | 27.7 | 28.1 | 28.1 |
| Alaska | 36.4 | 36.6 | 36.5 | 37.3 | 37.3 | 36.2 | 35.9 | 34.5 | 35.0 | 35.2 | 35.3 | 35.8 |
| Arizona | 25.2 | 25.5 | 25.9 | 26.0 | 26.9 | 25.9 | 25.7 | 25.1 | 25.6 | 25.3 | 25.7 | 25.6 |
| Arkansas | 26.0 | 26.5 | 26.9 | 27.7 | 29.0 | 26.6 | 26.4 | 25.8 | 26.3 | 25.8 | 26.3 | 26.5 |
| California | 25.2 | 25.7 | 26.9 | 26.7 | 27.3 | 26.5 | 26.4 | 26.0 | 26.5 | 25.6 | 26.0 | 25.6 |
| Colorado | 28.0 | 28.7 | 28.8 | 28.8 | 30.1 | 29.1 | 28.5 | 27.8 | 27.9 | 27.0 | 27.5 | 28.1 |
| Connecticut | 26.3 | 27.0 | 27.1 | 27.6 | 29.0 | 28.0 | 27.5 | 26.6 | 26.3 | 25.8 | 26.2 | 26.4 |
| Delaware | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | 29.4 | 29.9 | 30.6 |
| District of Columbia | 25.7 | 25.9 | 26.6 | 27.1 | 29.0 | 26.5 | 26.2 | 25.7 | 25.1 | 24.8 | 25.1 | 26.7 |
| Florida | 27.0 | 27.2 | 27.4 | 27.7 | 28.5 | 27.4 | 27.6 | 27.2 | 27.8 | 27.4 | 28.0 | 27.9 |
| Georgia | 28.7 | 29.0 | 29.2 | 30.1 | 31.0 | 29.0 | 29.3 | 28.6 | 29.2 | 28.7 | 29.2 | 29.1 |
| Hawaii | 20.2 | 20.5 | 20.7 | 20.5 | 21.2 | 20.4 | 20.7 | 20.4 | 20.5 | 20.5 | 20.6 | 21.0 |
| Idaho | 25.6 | 25.9 | 26.0 | 26.4 | 27.2 | 26.2 | 26.1 | 25.3 | 25.0 | 24.8 | 25.0 | 25.7 |
| Illinois | 23.8 | 24.6 | 24.7 | 25.4 | 26.4 | 25.0 | 24.4 | 24.0 | 23.9 | — | 23.7 | 24.2 |
| Indiana | 26.5 | 27.3 | 27.7 | 28.6 | 30.4 | 28.2 | 27.5 | 26.8 | 26.7 | 26.2 | 26.4 | 26.7 |
| Iowa | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | 24.1 | 24.2 |
| Kansas | 25.0 | 25.4 | 25.8 | 26.1 | 27.6 | 26.3 | 25.6 | 24.8 | 25.0 | 24.5 | 24.8 | 25.0 |
| Kentucky | 25.3 | 26.0 | 26.6 | 27.4 | 28.4 | 26.0 | 25.7 | 25.0 | 25.3 | 24.8 | 25.2 | 25.5 |
| Louisiana | 25.6 | 24.1 | — | 25.2 | 26.2 | 24.4 | 24.5 | 23.9 | 25.0 | 24.7 | 24.9 | 24.8 |
| Maine | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | 26.7 | 26.8 | 24.6 | 24.2 | 24.7 |
| Maryland | 24.8 | 25.1 | 26.2 | 26.3 | 29.1 | 26.0 | 25.7 | 25.4 | 25.1 | 24.8 | 25.1 | 26.8 |
| Massachusetts | 28.9 | 29.8 | 30.2 | 30.9 | 32.5 | 30.6 | 30.2 | 29.4 | 29.1 | 28.1 | 28.6 | 29.2 |
| Michigan | 25.1 | 25.8 | 26.3 | 27.0 | 28.2 | 27.1 | 26.6 | 25.7 | 25.2 | 24.7 | 24.8 | 24.8 |
| Minnesota | 29.3 | 30.0 | 30.2 | 31.1 | 32.4 | 30.2 | 29.8 | 28.8 | 28.6 | 28.1 | 28.3 | 29.0 |
| Mississippi | — | — | — | — | — | 25.9 | 26.8 | 26.0 | 26.7 | 25.9 | 26.8 | 26.7 |
| Missouri | 25.5 | 26.3 | 26.9 | 27.6 | 28.7 | 26.3 | 26.1 | 25.6 | 25.8 | 25.3 | 25.7 | 26.0 |
| Montana | 24.4 | 24.5 | 24.4 | 25.1 | 26.1 | 25.2 | 24.6 | 24.0 | 23.6 | 23.1 | 23.7 | 24.3 |
| Nebraska | 26.2 | 26.6 | 26.7 | 27.5 | 28.7 | 27.4 | 26.7 | 26.0 | 26.0 | 25.5 | 25.9 | 26.2 |
| Nevada | 26.9 | 27.6 | 28.0 | 27.9 | 28.4 | 27.7 | 24.6 | 26.2 | 26.4 | 26.3 | 26.4 | 26.2 |
| New Hampshire | 30.2 | 30.5 | 31.3 | 32.1 | 33.2 | 31.6 | 31.2 | 29.8 | 29.5 | 28.7 | 29.2 | 29.7 |
| New Jersey | 22.7 | 23.5 | 23.9 | 24.4 | 25.8 | 24.5 | 23.8 | 23.1 | 22.8 | 22.1 | 22.5 | 22.8 |
| New Mexico | 26.1 | 26.6 | 26.7 | 27.0 | 28.2 | 26.6 | 26.6 | 25.8 | 26.4 | 25.8 | 26.2 | 26.3 |
| New York | 19.6 | 20.3 | 20.7 | 21.1 | 21.9 | 20.7 | 20.7 | 20.0 | 19.8 | 19.5 | 19.7 | 20.0 |
| North Carolina | 27.8 | 28.2 | 28.9 | 29.2 | 30.6 | 28.5 | — | 27.8 | 28.0 | 27.6 | 28.2 | 28.7 |
| North Dakota | 25.7 | 26.2 | 26.5 | 27.1 | 28.5 | 27.5 | 26.4 | 25.7 | 26.0 | 25.3 | 25.3 | 26.0 |
| Ohio | 25.8 | 26.6 | 27.2 | 27.9 | 29.5 | 27.5 | 26.7 | 26.2 | 26.1 | 25.7 | 26.1 | 26.0 |
| Oklahoma | 23.1 | 23.7 | 23.9 | 24.3 | 25.8 | 24.3 | 23.6 | 22.7 | 23.4 | 22.8 | 23.2 | 23.4 |
| Oregon | 20.1 | 20.7 | 20.9 | 20.9 | 21.2 | 20.8 | 20.9 | 20.1 | 19.8 | 19.5 | 19.6 | 19.9 |
| Pennsylvania | 23.8 | 24.7 | 25.7 | 25.8 | 27.5 | 25.0 | 24.9 | 24.5 | 24.2 | 23.8 | 24.0 | 24.7 |
| Rhode Island | 23.8 | 25.4 | 25.1 | 24.8 | 27.4 | 25.8 | 25.1 | 24.0 | 24.0 | 23.2 | 23.6 | 23.7 |
| South Carolina | 29.0 | 29.3 | 29.4 | 30.1 | 31.4 | 29.8 | 29.8 | 29.0 | 29.4 | 29.0 | 29.7 | 29.4 |
| South Dakota | 25.6 | 26.4 | 26.0 | 27.3 | 27.9 | 25.8 | 26.1 | 25.6 | 25.3 | 24.7 | 25.2 | 25.5 |
| Tennessee | 26.5 | 27.0 | 27.2 | 28.2 | 29.0 | 27.1 | 26.8 | 26.4 | 26.7 | 26.7 | 26.8 | 26.6 |
| Texas | 26.0 | 26.2 | 26.1 | 26.9 | 27.8 | 26.4 | 26.2 | 25.6 | 26.6 | 26.7 | 26.7 | 26.8 |
| Utah | 26.0 | 26.5 | 26.5 | 26.7 | 27.4 | 26.3 | 26.3 | 25.4 | 25.4 | 25.0 | 25.3 | 25.8 |
| Vermont | 28.0 | 29.3 | 29.3 | 30.3 | 31.4 | 30.4 | 29.3 | 28.2 | 28.3 | 26.9 | 27.6 | 27.9 |
| Virginia | 26.2 | 26.7 | 27.2 | 27.6 | 29.4 | 27.5 | 26.9 | 26.4 | 26.4 | 26.0 | 26.5 | 28.3 |
| Virgin Islands | — | — | — | 38.0 | 39.3 | 38.5 | 38.5 | 38.3 | 38.7 | 38.5 | 38.9 | 40.1 |
| Washington | 22.0 | 22.4 | 22.7 | 22.8 | 23.2 | 22.5 | 22.5 | 21.8 | 21.4 | 21.2 | 21.5 | 21.7 |
| West Virginia | 26.8 | 25.2 | 25.7 | 25.7 | 29.6 | 26.4 | 25.6 | 24.5 | 24.1 | 23.4 | 23.9 | 24.1 |
| Wisconsin | 25.9 | 26.3 | 26.6 | 27.4 | 28.6 | 27.1 | 26.7 | 26.1 | 25.5 | 25.2 | 25.2 | 25.7 |
| Wyoming | 27.7 | 28.3 | 28.5 | 28.5 | 30.2 | 29.6 | 28.6 | 28.1 | 28.4 | 27.4 | 28.2 | 28.6 |

— EBT was not implemented in these months or data files were not usable (see note on Table B-25).

Source: USDA, Food and Nutrition Service. EBT Redemption Transactions from ALERT System, FY2003. Average monthly statistics.

Table B-28—Annual EBT Card Issuance, FY2003

| | Number of cards issued | Avg number of cards per household | Percent of cards issued by reason | | | |
|----------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| | | | Regular card issuance | Lost or stolen card | Multiple cards for simultaneous use | New card after gap in participation |
| Total U.S. | 16,772,090 | 1.29 | 77.9% | 19.2% | 0.8% | 2.0% |
| Alabama | 344,446 | 1.29 | 77.3 | 19.0 | 2.5 | 1.2 |
| Alaska | 36,681 | 1.25 | 80.1 | 15.7 | 1.6 | 2.6 |
| Arizona | 414,796 | 1.40 | 71.9 | 24.7 | 0.5 | 3.0 |
| Arkansas | 232,965 | 1.26 | 79.7 | 18.0 | 0.7 | 1.6 |
| California | 627,723 | 1.21 | 82.8 | 14.5 | 1.6 | 1.2 |
| Colorado | 187,417 | 1.29 | 77.6 | 19.2 | 0.0 | 3.1 |
| Connecticut | 161,080 | 1.28 | 78.3 | 19.0 | 0.1 | 2.6 |
| Delaware | 22,033 | 1.03 | 97.4 | 2.5 | 0.1 | 0.0 |
| District of Columbia | 82,362 | 1.49 | 67.5 | 30.4 | 0.1 | 1.9 |
| Florida | 946,824 | 1.18 | 84.9 | 13.3 | 0.4 | 1.4 |
| Georgia | 708,393 | 1.55 | 64.9 | 32.8 | 0.4 | 2.0 |
| Hawaii | 95,473 | 1.40 | 72.4 | 25.1 | 0.3 | 2.2 |
| Idaho | 66,107 | 1.25 | 80.0 | 17.4 | 0.3 | 2.2 |
| Illinois | 954,667 | 1.48 | 68.0 | 29.8 | 0.0 | 2.2 |
| Indiana | 358,187 | 1.21 | 82.8 | 15.0 | 0.8 | 1.5 |
| Iowa | 43,898 | 1.02 | 98.1 | 1.8 | 0.1 | 0.0 |
| Kansas | 133,886 | 1.27 | 79.2 | 18.4 | 0.9 | 1.6 |
| Kentucky | 359,122 | 1.22 | 82.3 | 15.5 | 0.0 | 2.2 |
| Louisiana | 461,843 | 1.25 | 80.4 | 18.1 | 0.0 | 1.5 |
| Maine | 78,249 | 1.04 | 96.0 | 3.8 | 0.0 | 0.2 |
| Maryland | 222,895 | 1.31 | 76.8 | 20.9 | 0.2 | 2.1 |
| Massachusetts | 253,157 | 1.30 | 77.4 | 19.8 | 0.4 | 2.4 |
| Michigan | 708,334 | 1.34 | 74.6 | 19.4 | 4.5 | 1.5 |
| Minnesota | 224,462 | 1.41 | 71.0 | 26.1 | 0.4 | 2.4 |
| Mississippi | 218,610 | 1.19 | 84.1 | 9.9 | 5.4 | 0.6 |
| Missouri | 460,807 | 1.28 | 78.1 | 19.6 | 0.4 | 1.9 |
| Montana | 51,622 | 1.19 | 84.2 | 13.9 | 0.5 | 1.4 |
| Nebraska | 79,434 | 1.18 | 84.9 | 13.0 | 0.0 | 2.1 |
| Nevada | 108,121 | 1.27 | 79.0 | 17.7 | 0.0 | 3.2 |
| New Hampshire | 39,485 | 1.18 | 84.8 | 13.1 | 0.2 | 1.9 |
| New Jersey | 307,911 | 1.34 | 75.1 | 23.3 | 0.1 | 1.6 |
| New Mexico | 155,235 | 1.31 | 76.9 | 20.6 | 0.0 | 2.5 |
| New York | 1,391,254 | 1.38 | 72.6 | 23.5 | 2.1 | 1.8 |
| North Carolina | 493,024 | 1.13 | 88.2 | 10.6 | 0.5 | 0.7 |
| North Dakota | 30,250 | 1.20 | 83.5 | 14.6 | 0.1 | 1.8 |
| Ohio | 654,204 | 1.22 | 82.2 | 14.3 | 0.0 | 3.6 |
| Oklahoma | 318,822 | 1.35 | 74.7 | 22.2 | 0.7 | 2.5 |
| Oregon | 380,198 | 1.38 | 73.0 | 22.4 | 1.5 | 3.1 |
| Pennsylvania | 682,098 | 1.31 | 76.7 | 21.6 | 0.2 | 1.6 |
| Rhode Island | 66,199 | 1.42 | 70.9 | 26.8 | 0.2 | 2.2 |
| South Carolina | 305,721 | 1.19 | 83.8 | 14.9 | 0.0 | 1.3 |
| South Dakota | 42,298 | 1.32 | 75.9 | 21.3 | 0.1 | 2.8 |
| Tennessee | 573,281 | 1.24 | 81.0 | 17.0 | 0.4 | 1.6 |
| Texas | 1,409,197 | 1.19 | 83.8 | 13.6 | 0.2 | 2.4 |
| Utah | 97,966 | 1.37 | 73.3 | 22.6 | 0.7 | 3.4 |
| Vermont | 26,543 | 1.20 | 83.7 | 14.8 | 0.0 | 1.5 |
| Virginia | 311,552 | 1.19 | 83.8 | 11.6 | 2.4 | 2.2 |
| Virgin Islands | 6,476 | 1.16 | 86.1 | 11.5 | 1.9 | 0.6 |
| Washington | 434,595 | 1.41 | 71.4 | 24.6 | 0.4 | 3.6 |
| West Virginia | 139,977 | 1.12 | 89.0 | 10.2 | 0.2 | 0.6 |
| Wisconsin | 241,027 | 1.33 | 75.5 | 20.9 | 1.0 | 2.6 |
| Wyoming | 21,183 | 1.19 | 84.1 | 11.6 | 0.0 | 4.3 |

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Table B-29—Annual Number of EBT Cards Issued Per Household, FY2003

| | Percent of households by number of cards | | | | Percent of households by reason for more than one card | | | Percent of households with more than one lost/stolen card |
|----------------------------|--|-------|-------|--------------|--|----------------|----------|---|
| | One | Two | Three | Four or more | Lost or stolen | Multiple cards | New card | |
| Total U.S. | 79.2% | 15.8% | 3.5% | 1.6% | 18.1% | 1.0% | 2.5% | 4.4% |
| Alabama | 77.3 | 17.9 | 3.5 | 1.3 | 19.4 | 3.1 | 1.5 | 3.8 |
| Alaska | 80.5 | 15.6 | 2.8 | 1.0 | 15.4 | 2.0 | 3.2 | 3.0 |
| Arizona | 73.6 | 18.2 | 5.1 | 3.2 | 22.9 | 0.6 | 4.1 | 7.0 |
| Arkansas | 80.5 | 15.3 | 3.1 | 1.2 | 17.2 | 0.9 | 2.0 | 3.7 |
| California | 83.7 | 12.9 | 2.4 | 0.9 | 13.5 | 1.8 | 1.4 | 2.8 |
| Colorado | 79.4 | 15.1 | 3.6 | 1.9 | 17.4 | 0.0 | 3.9 | 4.6 |
| Connecticut | 78.2 | 17.3 | 3.5 | 1.0 | 19.1 | 0.1 | 3.2 | 3.9 |
| Delaware | 97.4 | 2.4 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 2.4 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.1 |
| District of Columbia | 70.7 | 18.8 | 6.0 | 4.6 | 27.4 | 0.2 | 2.8 | 9.7 |
| Florida | 85.7 | 11.7 | 1.9 | 0.6 | 12.6 | 0.4 | 1.7 | 2.2 |
| Georgia | 57.2 | 33.8 | 7.0 | 2.0 | 40.1 | 0.6 | 3.0 | 8.1 |
| Hawaii | 73.4 | 18.5 | 5.0 | 3.1 | 23.7 | 0.4 | 3.0 | 6.9 |
| Idaho | 81.1 | 14.4 | 3.2 | 1.3 | 16.3 | 0.4 | 2.8 | 3.9 |
| Illinois | 70.2 | 19.2 | 6.3 | 4.3 | 27.4 | 0.0 | 3.2 | 9.6 |
| Indiana | 83.8 | 13.0 | 2.4 | 0.8 | 14.0 | 0.9 | 1.8 | 2.9 |
| Iowa | 98.1 | 1.8 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.8 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Kansas | 80.1 | 15.2 | 3.3 | 1.4 | 17.4 | 1.1 | 2.0 | 4.0 |
| Kentucky | 82.8 | 14.0 | 2.4 | 0.8 | 15.0 | 0.0 | 2.7 | 2.8 |
| Louisiana | 80.2 | 16.2 | 2.8 | 0.8 | 18.2 | 0.0 | 1.8 | 3.3 |
| Maine | 96.2 | 3.6 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 3.7 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.3 |
| Maryland | 78.4 | 15.7 | 3.8 | 2.0 | 19.2 | 0.2 | 2.7 | 5.2 |
| Massachusetts | 78.8 | 15.8 | 3.7 | 1.8 | 18.3 | 0.5 | 3.1 | 4.8 |
| Michigan | 75.3 | 18.5 | 4.1 | 2.0 | 18.5 | 5.8 | 2.0 | 4.8 |
| Minnesota | 75.1 | 16.2 | 5.0 | 3.8 | 22.1 | 0.6 | 3.4 | 7.9 |
| Mississippi | 83.1 | 15.1 | 1.6 | 0.2 | 10.5 | 6.2 | 0.7 | 1.1 |
| Missouri | 78.8 | 16.4 | 3.3 | 1.4 | 18.9 | 0.5 | 2.4 | 4.2 |
| Montana | 84.7 | 12.3 | 2.3 | 0.7 | 13.3 | 0.5 | 1.7 | 2.5 |
| Nebraska | 86.3 | 10.9 | 2.0 | 0.8 | 11.7 | 0.0 | 2.4 | 2.5 |
| Nevada | 80.6 | 14.5 | 3.4 | 1.5 | 16.3 | 0.0 | 4.0 | 4.1 |
| New Hampshire | 85.3 | 12.2 | 2.0 | 0.5 | 12.7 | 0.2 | 2.2 | 2.1 |
| New Jersey | 76.7 | 16.6 | 4.3 | 2.4 | 21.4 | 0.1 | 2.1 | 6.0 |
| New Mexico | 78.0 | 16.2 | 3.9 | 1.8 | 19.3 | 0.0 | 3.2 | 5.0 |
| New York | 74.6 | 17.2 | 5.5 | 2.7 | 22.4 | 2.7 | 2.4 | 6.6 |
| North Carolina | 88.3 | 10.3 | 1.2 | 0.2 | 10.6 | 0.5 | 0.8 | 1.2 |
| North Dakota | 83.7 | 13.5 | 2.1 | 0.6 | 14.4 | 0.1 | 2.2 | 2.4 |
| Ohio | 82.1 | 14.9 | 2.4 | 0.6 | 14.6 | 0.0 | 4.2 | 2.2 |
| Oklahoma | 76.0 | 17.1 | 4.5 | 2.4 | 20.6 | 0.9 | 3.3 | 5.9 |
| Oregon | 74.7 | 17.8 | 4.7 | 2.8 | 20.5 | 2.0 | 4.2 | 6.1 |
| Pennsylvania | 78.3 | 15.8 | 3.9 | 2.0 | 19.9 | 0.2 | 2.0 | 5.4 |
| Rhode Island | 73.6 | 17.6 | 5.3 | 3.5 | 23.9 | 0.2 | 3.0 | 8.1 |
| South Carolina | 83.9 | 13.6 | 1.9 | 0.6 | 14.8 | 0.0 | 1.5 | 2.3 |
| South Dakota | 76.2 | 17.7 | 4.2 | 1.8 | 20.8 | 0.1 | 3.6 | 5.2 |
| Tennessee | 82.3 | 13.8 | 2.8 | 1.2 | 15.8 | 0.5 | 2.0 | 3.5 |
| Texas | 84.5 | 12.7 | 2.1 | 0.7 | 12.9 | 0.3 | 2.8 | 2.3 |
| Utah | 75.7 | 16.8 | 4.6 | 3.0 | 20.2 | 0.9 | 4.6 | 6.3 |
| Vermont | 84.5 | 12.4 | 2.3 | 0.7 | 14.0 | 0.0 | 1.8 | 2.7 |
| Virginia | 84.0 | 13.4 | 2.0 | 0.6 | 11.2 | 2.9 | 2.6 | 1.9 |
| Virgin Islands | 85.8 | 12.3 | 1.5 | 0.3 | 11.6 | 2.2 | 0.7 | 1.5 |
| Washington | 74.1 | 17.6 | 4.9 | 3.4 | 21.9 | 0.5 | 4.9 | 7.1 |
| West Virginia | 89.5 | 9.1 | 1.2 | 0.3 | 9.8 | 0.2 | 0.6 | 1.3 |
| Wisconsin | 74.8 | 19.9 | 3.9 | 1.4 | 21.8 | 1.3 | 3.4 | 4.2 |
| Wyoming | 84.1 | 13.4 | 2.0 | 0.5 | 11.8 | 0.0 | 5.0 | 1.7 |

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